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IMPORTANT MODIFICATIONS INTRODUCED INTO PEACE PLAN



Prince von Starhemberg, above, leader of the Austrian Fatherland Front, has made guarded but definite references to the restoration of the Habsburgs which have caused considerable interest in political circles.

NEW TERRITORIES TIGER

Village Woman Has
Narrow Escape

TWO DIFFERENT PUG MARKS!

There appears to be no doubt that a tiger, or possibly two, is roaming about the New Territories. At 4 a.m. to-day two sets of pugs were seen—one set measuring 6 x 7 inches and the other 5½ x 6 inches. It is thought therefore that either a male and female are roaming the countryside, or a fully-grown tiger and a cub.

The villagers are terrified and refuse to go out into the hills except in batches of 20 or more people.

One female woodcutter had a narrow escape from the beast on Wednesday morning. At about 5 a.m. she was engaged on her work in the hills when she became aware of two eyes glaring at her out of the underbrush. The terrified woman ran back to the village, followed by the beast, and just managed to get into her house in time. The villagers went out after the animal, but had no luck.

NO TRACE OF LAIR

No trace has yet been discovered of the beast's lair, but it is understood that Mr. D. Burlingham, Deputy Inspector-General of Police, has arranged to take out a search party next week.

Elaborate precautions have now been taken to guard the livestock in the vicinity. Mr. D. Wilson has erected a wire fence round his farm property and will sit up to-night in an effort to "bag" one of the beasts. It is believed that the animal, or animals, deprived of their natural food, are liable to attack human beings on sight.

An attempt was made last night to trap the beast. A decoy goat was tethered, and a watch kept. But the wily animal made off with three goats from a nearby farm, leaving the baited trap severely alone.

The animal has been seen several times lately in the early morning by people living in the vicinity, and it is hoped that Mr. Burlingham's party will be able to account for it before it becomes still more of a menace to life and property theretofore.

NEW AMBASSADOR TO BERLIN

Nanking, To-day.—Dr. Chen Tien-jang, Chinese Ambassador designate to Germany, has definitely decided to sail for Berlin in the latter part of this month. He called on Mr. H. M. Pollard, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, yesterday morning—Central News Agency.

HO-UMETSU PACT NON-EXISTENT.

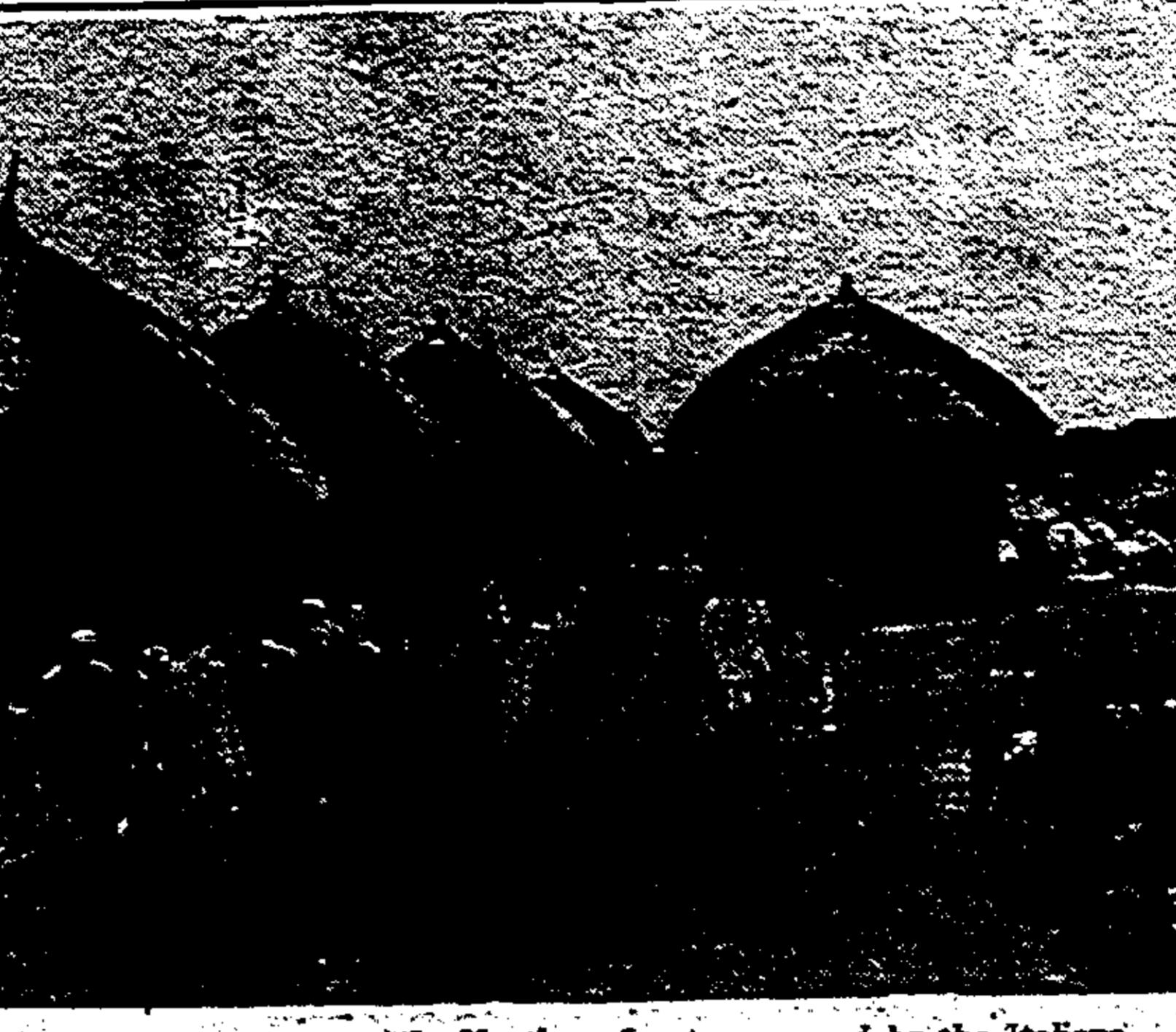
JAPANESE PLANES NOT ALLOWED OVER HOPEI

CHINESE SCHOLARS DEMAND FIRM POLICY

Peiping, To-day. Concerning the recent statement of the Japanese Military Attaché, that Japanese planes were allowed by the Ho-Umetsu Agreement to fly over all Hopei, a member of the defunct Military Council very close to General Ho Ying-chin declares that the statement is totally incorrect.

He goes on to say that during the negotiations last June concerning Hopei between General Ho Ying-chin and Mr. Umetsu, the question of flying over Chinese territory by Japanese planes was never discussed. He added that the term "Ho-Umetsu Agreement" is also incorrect. "There is no such agreement as the so-called Ho-Umetsu agreement," he said.

Chinese reports state that Paochang has been re-occupied by the Chinese.



One of the towns on the Northern front conquered by the Italians.

MORGENTHAU SILVER STATEMENT

GOOD IMPRESSION ALL ROUND

London, To-day.

The silver market's pious hopes of being able to fix "Spot" in a normal time have not materialised. The offerings are said to have been slightly less than on Wednesday. On the contrary America purchased more, and consequently allotments amounted to 16 per cent, as compared with 7½.

The Treasury insisted yesterday, contrary to previous custom, on brokers submitting selling orders individually.

Mr. Morgenthau's statement enlivened a long, dreary session, creating a good impression all round. He pointed out that the principle of the matter is that America is prepared to continue her purchases, thus assuring healthy conditions in the international silver market.

The wisdom of the change in policy is admitted, which is expected to be carried out along the lines of exchange equalisation funds, thus avoiding the publicity attendant upon deals in one market.

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NAVAL PARLEYS

European Questions Before Pacific

FRANCE SEEKS TO ELIMINATE ELEMENT OF SURPRISE

London, To-day.

The American press report that France did not align herself with the other Powers at the Naval Conference yesterday is understood to be unfounded. On the contrary the French delegation made it clear to the Japanese, who adopted the attitude that the questions affecting the three great Pacific Powers must be settled afterwards, that the French did not wish the precedent followed at Washington to be repeated.

The Japanese are reported to have demanded the inclusion of the area either in Manchukuo or the demilitarised zone, in pursuance of their plan to drive a wedge into Outer Mongolia to counteract Soviet influence. A Japanese report says that a settlement on these lines has already been reached. Reuter.

HOSTILITIES CEASE

Peiping, To-day. The hostilities have ceased. Chinese sources confirm that General Sung Cheh-juan and Major-General Dolgorukov have reached an agreement whereby the Mongol militia have been given control of the area. Reuter.

GENERAL CHANG LEAVES

FOR EGYPT

Geneva, To-day.—General Chang Ching-kuang, who has been visiting Geneva, has left for Egypt. Reuter.

PORT OF ASSAB FOR ABYSSINIA THROUGH CORRIDOR TO ADDIS ABABA NORTHERN TIGRE AND OGADEN OFFERED TO ITALY

CHINA MAIL SPECIAL

Geneva, To-day.

The discussion of the oil embargo against Italy has been postponed until further notice as a result of the first session of the Committee of Eighteen, which began at 5 p.m. yesterday and lasted little more than half an hour.

M. Laval informed the Committee of the Franco-British proposals, while he explained that although England and France had received no mandate from the Sanctions Conference, they nevertheless made an attempt to bring about a reconciliation between the two parties to the dispute.

Moreover, it was not a question of "proposals" but of "suggestions," with which only the League Council was competent to deal. Naturally suggestions could also be put forward by any other members.

The Polish representative, M. Komarnitzki, stressed that the information given by Mr. Eden and M. Laval made it the Committee's duty not to take any action before the competent League of Nations organs had determined the whole situation in the light of the latest developments. The Committee will meet again to-day in order to receive the reports of the Committee for the supervision of the application of sanctions.

Immediately upon their arrival here yesterday morning Mr. Eden and M. Laval began conversations with the members of the Committee of Five and other League delegates in order to sound their views on the Franco-British proposals and to discuss the best method of procedure for the League deliberations upon them. The French intention, it is understood, with which Mr. Eden is presumed to be in agreement, is that the Committee of Five should draw up as soon as possible new proposals on the basis of the Franco-British "suggestions."

This plan is vigorously opposed, however, by the Polish and Turkish delegates, who with the British, French and Spanish delegates comprise the Committee of Five. They take the stand that the Committee of Five's task was brought to an end in September when its recommendations were refused by Italy, and thus only the League Council can empower the Committee to take up the work again.

London, To-day. A full-dress debate on the Franco-British peace plan is expected to take place in the House of Commons next Thursday. Meanwhile Geneva's decision to refer the proposals to the Council of the League is received with satisfaction in political circles in London, which now expect the Council to exercise a controlling influence on the situation.

It is believed that this development is largely due to the attitude adopted by the British Cabinet, which from the first has insisted that the proposals should go to the League as well as to Italy and Abyssinia. While it is denied that the proposals have created anything in the nature of a rupture in the ranks of the Cabinet, it is understood that there is a lack of enthusiasm for the proposals among certain Ministers, but it is pointed out that the Ministers generally never regarded the proposals as a definite plan for a settlement to which they were committed.

PRESS COMMENT.—The *Daily Telegraph* says that there is some abatement of the general feeling of uneasiness.

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Important Changes In Peace Plan

Paris, later. The modifications finally introduced into the peace plan at the request of the British Government were more important than was at first gathered, according to a French source at Geneva, which states that it is proposed to grant the port of Assab to Abyssinia, together with a through corridor to Addis Ababa.

Northern Tigre, with Adowa, Adigrat and Izzizze, would be granted to Italy but not the whole province.

Italy would also receive Ogaden,

but the whole of the remaining Abyssinian territory, including a zone set aside for Italian colonisation, would be placed under an international League mandate, Italy having no right to organise its own police force in the colonised zone. Reuter.

PRINCE MIDVANTS WILL

One-Fifth Share For Former Wife

New York, To-day.

The Countess Reventlow will receive a one-fifth share in the estate of her former husband, Prince Alexis Midvants, whose will was admitted to probate yesterday. Prince Midvants' estate is divided into equal shares between the Countess and his two brothers and two sisters. Reuter.

KANIMEIA LAUNCHED

London, to-day.—The 10,000-ton twin-screw motor passenger liner Kanimeia, destined for use in the Australian coastal service, has arrived yesterday from the Companie Générale Transatlantique. Reuter.

POLITICAL MURDER

Russian Emigrant Done To Death

Harbin, To-day.

The Russian emigrant General Mayor Tyribah, a naturalised British subject and right-hand man of Abramian Semenoff, was murdered on November 18 on the western section of the North Manchurian Railway. The murderer was a Red Commissar named Hanmer, who has been arrested. The murder is put down to political motives. Reuter.

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WOMEN'S PAGE

NEW DESIGNS
IN STOVES AND
FIREPLACESEFFECTIVE SHAPES
AND COLOURSHeating Panel As
Part Of Wall

Each year the "neater-heating" campaign continues and designers have spent many hours in planning the most effective shapes and colouring for stoves and fireplaces.

As a result, this season has so many attractions in heating appliances that the housewife searching for new ones is lucky indeed.

If you like invisible heating you can choose a heating panel that will appear to be a part of the wall.

If you want a large, significant fireplace there is every sort from the old-fashioned red brick to the modern coloured tiling.

Fashions in Fireplaces

And you can even have a portable gas-fire in stainless steel that looks like a fire-screen, when not in use as a fire.

The keynote of this season's fashions in fireplaces is summed up in one word—variety.

There are red brick fireplaces in delightful designs for rooms with period furniture while, for the modern glass-and-chromium fitted room, tiled fireplaces in pastel shades to match the walls are very suitable.

The economical housewife will appreciate the four-in-one grates which provide a hot water supply as well as a means of cooking, and heat the room at the same time.

Imitation Fires

Some of the new designs in gas and electric fires are so ingenious that it is a pleasure to look at them. Inset fires in chromium plating are shown in plain rectangular or square patterns and also in the most intriguing and elaborate designs.

Imitation coal fires, worked by electricity, sometimes have quaintly shaped reflectors to make them harmonise with a Tudor or Jacobean decorative scheme.

In this way modern forms of heating can be brought to the "period" home as well as to the newer type of house.

So interesting and practical are this season's designs in stoves, boilers and cookers that it is well worth while paying a visit to the shops to learn the advantages of the new models.

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THE HAIR NET
FOR UNTIDY

BACK HAIR

"PERM" MAY LOSE
ITS HOLDThe Matronly Look
Coming?

In a short time damsels will be looking like Trollope's maidens or Little Women, with their back hair bundled into a net and their curls constrained to an unnatural tidiness. With the bagging of

curls, indeed, perhaps the perm

may lose its hold on human affections, and heroines will certainly

be able to let their backhair fall down as a delightful surprise should the occasion seem

sufficiently pressing.

For the net has come back as a response to the untidy back hair of the last year. There was a

time when this was kept in check

and was smoothed into place as if

it were the back view of a buff

Orpington. But since curls have

been allowed to blow out to the

winds, untidiness has become

fashionable, with the inevitable

reaction on the part of those who

could stand the strain less well

than their neighbours.

Hair-nets are not yet made of chenille. Young ladies do not yet affect the matronly look. But it is coming. Hair-nets are made of

bright wool, or of gold thread, or of anything that makes a strong

contrast with the hair. They are

threaded on elastic and are worn

over the back hair, the elastic fol-

lowing the line of a child's ribbon

in a bow on the top.

The next thing is the making of

one's own nets. The mesh should

be about the size of an ordinary

pencil. About twenty-four stitches

give the correct size. The net

may be bigger in one direction

than another. The netting may

be sloped off to make the shape

or it may be made into a square

and the corners clipped, after being

tidily tucked in under the elastic.

The change on young

heads is amusing. It may of

course become as dowdy as on the

heads of old ladies with Charley's

Aunt bandeau.

SOMETHING NEW
IN FUR CAPESWhite For The
Evening

Women who like black furs as well as black frocks will concentrate on broadtail, sealskin or Persian lamb. Furs in varying shades of brown are equally popular. They afford, perhaps, a wider selection of pelts from which to choose.

Ermine is being worked hard this season. White for the evening. It is dyed a number of lovely shades for day wear.

Broadtail looks well alone, perhaps even better when trimmed with mink.

There is Afghan broadtail for those who cannot afford the Persian variety. Afghan broadtail is slightly less sleek than the more aristocratic fur. But it is good to look at, especially the new bronze brown tint.

Full Length Coat

A full length coat of this fur has a collar that can be worn to protect the ears on a really cold day.

Short capes are good to wear indoors on cold evenings. One attractive model, elbow length, has cravat ends in front.

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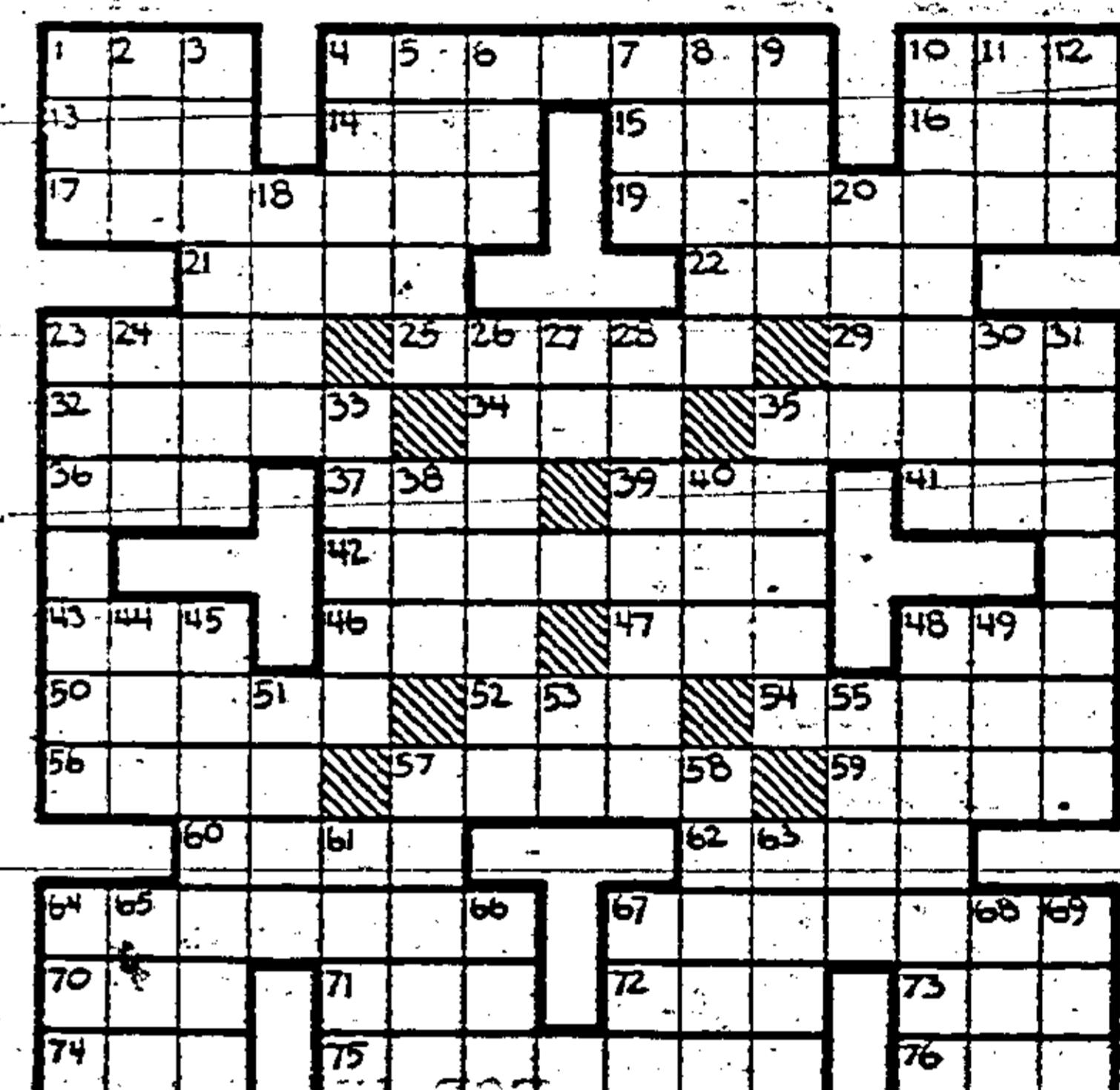
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL	1-Residue from a fire	57-Take possession of by force	10-Fatigue
1-Refuge	58-Tears	11-Prone	12-Prone
10-Work at with steadiness	59-Emery	13-Feminine of poet	14-Comparative suffix
13-Consumed	60-Gentle	15-Antique musical instrument (pl.)	16-Dragger
14-Kind of dog	61-Metric land measure	17-Castanets	18-Crooked scraps of literature
15-Metric land measure	62-Roe (Scot.)	19-Idle talkers	19-Dances, as on the top
16-Roe (Scot.)	20-Erecting	21-Case	20-Dry stalk
17-Erecting	22-Discharge	22-Foot-like organ	21-Foot lever
18-Idle talkers	23-Part of the leg	23-Fish eggs	22-Goddess of death (Norse Myth.)
21-Case	24-Waste	24-Part of Great Britain (abbr.)	23-Over (contr.)
22-Foot-like organ	25-Purse	25-The emblem of Neptune	24-Note in Guido's scale
23-Fish eggs	26-Station (abbr.)	26-Station (abbr.)	25-Awaiting
24-Part of Great Britain (abbr.)	27-Definite article	27-Swiss river	26-Mariners
25-The emblem of Neptune	28-Archer	28-Saints (abbr.)	27-Serpent
26-Station (abbr.)	29-Epochs	29-American poet	28-Chief of the gods (Norse Myth.)
27-Swiss river	30-Feign	30-Boy's name	29-Prefix, Good
28-Saints (abbr.)	31-Look	31-Taped again	30-Epoch
29-American poet	32-Plot	32-A church official (abbr.)	31-Speak
30-Boy's name	33-Definite article	33-A feather (Ornith.)	32-Dress with the beak
31-Taped again	34-Unit of work	34-Made a mistake	33-Bird horns
32-A church official (abbr.)	35-Definite article	35-A paper measure	34-The Orient
33-A feather (Ornith.)	36-Unit of work	36-Salt (Lat.)	35-Ocean
34-Made a mistake	37-Definite article	37-Faun	36-Enclosure
35-A paper measure	38-Definite article	38-Feign	37-Science (abbr.)
36-Salt (Lat.)	39-Definite article	39-Meet	38-Affirmative reply
37-Faun	40-Definite article	40-Cross	39-Sever
38-Feign	41-Definite article	41-Dread	40-Ocean
39-Meet	42-Definite article	42-Plot	39-Cross
40-Cross	43-Definite article	43-Skims	40-Pleated
41-Dread	44-Definite article	44-Creams	41-Cream
42-Plot	45-Definite article	45-Casern	42-Meet
43-Skims	46-Definite article	46-Liquor	43-Cross
44-Creams	47-Definite article	47-	

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Washington.—"I will have to ask for quite a lot more "G-Men" declared the Attorney-General, Mr. Homer Cummings, in an interview here.

UNFOUNDED
REPORTS IN
H.K. PAPERConsular Body In
Canton Upset

NANKING DENIALS

(From Our Own Correspondent
Canton, To-day)

The Consular body here was re-
lieved yesterday by an official
statement from the Ministry of
Foreign Affairs in Nanking stating
that there is no truth in the re-
ports published by a prominent
Chinese newspaper in Hong Kong
announcing the establishment of a
foreign affairs section in the
Kwangtung Provincial Government
in place of the office of the Special
Delegate of the Nanking Foreign
Office.

Foreign correspondents in Hong
Kong cabled the story abroad and
it eventually reached the Ministry of
Foreign Affairs in Nanking, which
immediately notified Dr. Kan Chia-hou, Special Delegate of
Foreign Affairs in Canton, that
there is no basis for such a story.

The latter reform is directly in-
spired by the British judicial
system.—Reuter.

As I have said time and again,
there is no better way to hamper
good opponents than by firing
pre-emptive bids at them. When
you start off the bidding with
three or four of a suit—e.g., a
minor—you are taking valuable
rounds of bidding away from
them and they, with most of the
outstanding high card strength,
cannot reach their correct final
contract.

To-day's hand, which is given
as a curiosity more than anything
else, might be called the ex-
ception that proves the rule.
West, by opening with a pre-emptive
bid of three diamonds, instead of
shutting the opponents out of a game,
forced them into a game which actually could have
been defeated six tricks. Furthermore,
the pre-emptive bid prevented
the bidder himself from getting
necessary information rather than
the opponents, and as a result the
opening lead gave the declarer his
contract.

East Dealer
Neither side vulnerable

**OPENING OF NEW
PAROCHIAL HALL**

St. Teresa's Church
Ceremony

The Rev. Fr. Maestrini, Pro-
Rector of St. Teresa's Church, presided
last evening at the opening of the Catholic Parochial Hall
and Public Library in the rectory
of St. Teresa's Church, when
the Very Rev. Fr. Maestrini, S.J.,
the pro-Rector, presided over the
opening.

Among those present were: the
Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Chev. and
Mrs. J. M. Alves, Mrs. L.
D'Almada, Messrs. A. Basto, H.
Barnes, L. A. Barton, F. J. Soden,
F. Osman, D. Pontaza, Campos,
Dr. B. Sousa, Rev. Frs. Aimar and
Rizanti, and Br. Aimar.

Father Maestrini, in a short
speech, stressed the need for co-
operation between priests and
parishioners. He ended by thank-
ing those responsible for the in-
ception of the Hall and Library.

The Very Rev. Fr. Byrne, S.J.,
then delivered an entertaining and
enjoyable address on "One of Our
Greatest Needs," that of sane
thinking.

The Rev. Fr. Byrne, in the
course of his speech, said: "There
is one special point which I should
like to stress with regard to this
library: Catholic in the richest
sense of the word, that it will
close its shelves to no uplifting
presentation of truth. Catholic
especially in that it will put at
the disposal of any honest en-
quirer the means of satisfying
himself as to what is really the
teaching of the Catholic Church."

The Rev. Fr. Byrne, in a
short speech which followed,
warmly praised the work done for
the parish by the Rev. Fr.
Maestrini.

Refreshments were served at
the close of the proceedings.

At a meeting of the Hong Kong
English Forum on Tuesday at
the YMCA, it was decided that
the club, in fitting commemoration
of its first year of existence,
should hold a dinner-dance at
the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Gar-
den on January 14, from 8 to 1
a.m., and others who care to join
will be welcome.

Almost a year ago the club was
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whole year will have passed in
January, 1936, and the members
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Committee members working on
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Miss G. Wong, P. Kwong, Miss E.
Lee, K. S. Chang, Miss M. Tang,
Miss P. Ing, and Al. Ho.

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THIRTEEN SHIELD SOCCER MATCHES FEATURED THIS WEEK

CLUB ONCE AGAIN ALTER THEIR ATTACK

Shield Match With East Lancs.

SWAIN RECOVERS FROM RIB INJURY

The Club and East Lancs. have made several changes for their Senior Shield struggle to-morrow on the Club ground, which should produce one of the two most exciting games over the weekend.

Railton, the Junior team skipper, has been brought into the defence and will partner Sid Strange at full-back, while Skinner, on the right-flank, and Gamble, on the left, will make reappearances in the intermediate line in support of Farrow, who has been taken out of the attack in order to strengthen the defence.

Fowler, after a week's absence, will return to right-wing, with Hill supporting him on the inside, while Elliott will lead the line supported on the left by the F. Strange-Bickford partnership.

Swain Playing

The East Lancs. will be playing Swain at right-back, in spite of the latter having just been discharged from hospital after a rib injury sustained during the Governor's Cup match last Sunday, when he was carried off on a stretcher.

Tiley returns to the inside-left position in place of Radcliffe, who is probably returning to the junior team.

No Understanding

The Club have made so many changes this season, partly due to injuries and partly due to the whims of the selectors, that there has been very little opportunity for the forwards to display any signs of understanding, with the result that the attack represents five individuals instead of an attacking body.

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JUNIOR SHIELD

The following Clubs have won the Junior Shield during the last 10 years:

1925 East Surrey Regiment
1926 East Surrey Regiment
1927 King's Own Scottish Borders
1928 Chinese Athletic
1929 King's Own Scottish Borders
1930 Chinese Athletic
1931 Royal Navy
1932 12th Battery, R.A.
1933 Royal Navy
1934 Royal Navy
1935 Royal Engineers

JUNIOR SHIELD TEAMS

The following are the Junior Shield soccer teams for the week-end:

Royal Engineers—Selleck, Slack and Wilford; Coleman, Burt and Dewell; Callard, Boyling, Darby, Howlett and Greah.

Recreio—A. Demmee; W. Maher and G. Fernandes; R. Laurel, C. Figueirido and J. Pereira; J. Souza, L. Castilho, E. Campos, J. Figueirido and J. Alves.

Club—Stirling, Millington and Stevens; Duncan, Milne and Caplan; G. Fowler, E. Fowler, Bell, Fisher and McKellar.

Air Force—Fogg, Brewer and Beecham; Thomas, Gregory and MacDonald; Murray, Solis, Smith, Doherty and Evans.

Kowloon—Binnnett, Willis and Fuxman; Tyndall, Stewart and Tilley; Humphreys, Harris, Cutler, Bone and Ferreira.

Royal Navy—Wratten, Robinson and Hills; Shaw, Tudor and Turner; Aziz, Gould, Spencer, Wride and Wilcox.

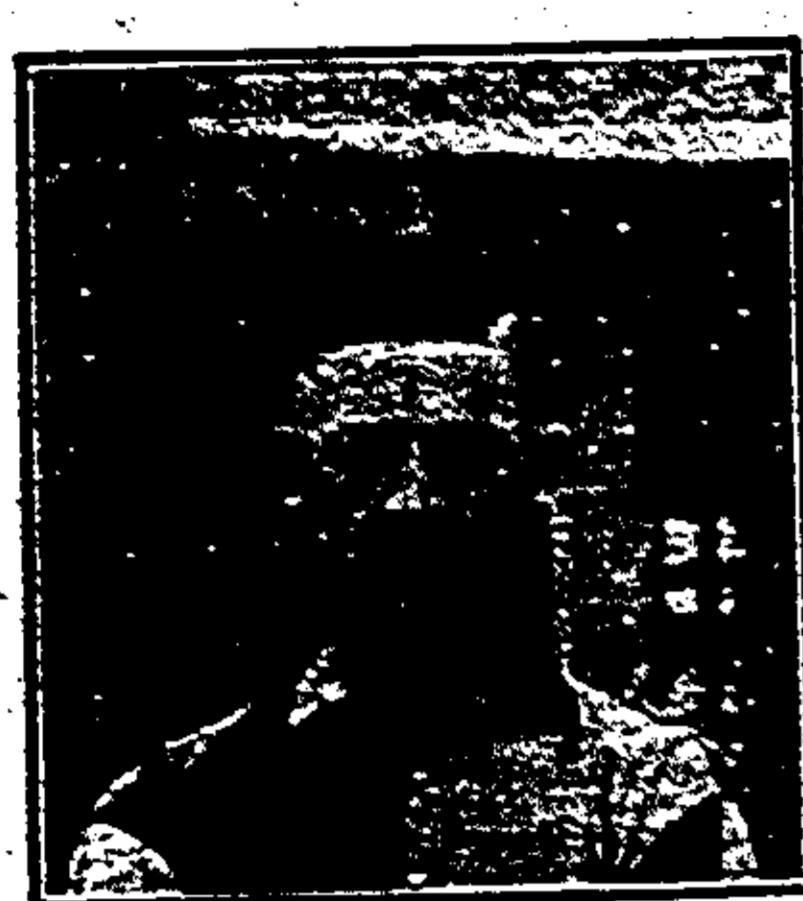
Reserves—Perry, Nicholson and Hopkins.

Lincoln—Taylor, Dobbs, Martin, Hollingworth, Wildy, Abbott, English, McGuinness, Setters, Turner and Toye.

Fusiliers—Saunders, L. Slack and Gately; Morgan, McHugh and Jones; Parry, Bunting, Dennis, Cratty and Davis (55).

East Lancs.—Williamson, Bannister and Bell; Waddington, Carroll and Thomas; MacLennan, Horner, Crook, Radcliffe and Griffin.

Lipa—Perryman, A. Quinn, Gomes and V. Gomes; V. Gomes, Remedios and M. Gomes; M. Gomes, Santos, M. Gomes, V. Gomes, V. Gomes, Remedios, M. Gomes, V. Gomes and S. Gomes.



KOWLOON DROP OPPENHEIM FOR SHIELD MATCH

HONNIBALL TAKES HIS PLACE

FUSILIERS UNCHANGED, BUT FAVOURED TO WIN

The Senior Shield meeting between Kowloon and the Fusiliers will be in the nature of a return match, only this time it will have the Cup-tie atmosphere which is usually to be found in Shield encounters.

The last time these two teams met the Fusiliers won by the narrowest possible margin, so that indications are that this game will be closely contested. While Kowloon are making a few changes in their line-up, the soldiers are depending on the same team that did

duty for them when they beat the Navy in the closing stages of their game last week.

For Kowloon, Honniball, who played in the second team earlier in the season, is again included this week, probably due to the fact that he played a good game for them last week against South China "B," when he sent D. Knox two beautiful passes which resulted in two goals.

Oppenheim Dropped

L. Oppenheim has been dropped in favour of G. Winch, who is considered one of the best players in the junior team, but the rest of the team is unchanged. The inclusion of two players from the reserves should result in a faster forward line, and against a team like the Fusiliers this may make all the difference.

Talbot, the Fusiliers pivot, will do well to keep an eye on D. Knox as the Kowloon leader has a habit of taking first-time shots at the goal when anywhere within shooting range.

Fusiliers Danger

So far as the forward line is concerned, Cockey, at centre-forward, and Harrison and Roberts, on the right-wing, will probably give the Kowloon defence plenty to worry about.

On the whole the match ought to produce some really interesting football with the odds slightly in favour of the Fusiliers.

ATHLETIC TO MEET RECREIO IN SHIELD TIE

CAMPOS RETURNS TO OLD TEAM

CHINESE TURN OUT BEST SIDE

The Chinese Athletic and Recreio should provide some very interesting football when they meet in the First Round of the Junior Shield to-morrow.

A. Demmee will be in goal for the Recreio, in place of Fernandes, who cannot play owing to business pressure, while W. Maher and G. Fernandes, both of whom have played in the first team, will be the backs.

G. Figueirido, who has been with the seniors for the last two weeks, will be in the pivot position.

Chinese Police To Lose

J. Alves, the former senior left-winger, will be playing on the left-wing, while H. Campos, who has been transferred to the Liga, has now returned to Recreio and his presence in the team should add that zest in the forward line which has been missing for the past few weeks.

The Chinese Athletic are also fielding their best team with Tan Kong-ming and Yeung Kan-po, in the forward line. Li Kwok-ki will be in goal, while the rest of the team is unchanged.

LIGA MAKE THEIR JUNIOR SHIELD DEBUT

CLUB JUNIORS MISS RAILTON

STRONG PORTUGUESE TEAM

The Liga Portuguesa will make their debut in the Junior Shield competition to-morrow, when they meet the Club in the First Round.

H. Campos, originally of the Recreio, has now been transferred to his old Club, but the Liga hope to obtain the services of E. Ribeiro, of St. Joseph's juniors.

The team selected, however, is a good one. A. Quinn, in goal, and Gomes and Lawrence all have had experience in the First Division, while the forwards are a very fast set. H. Souza, the centre-forward, is another old First Division player.

Good Forwards

The Club will be without the services of Railton, who will be playing for the seniors. Milne, however, will be in the pivotal position supported by Duncan and Caplan, and they should be able to hold the last Portuguese forwards.

The Club forward line is also well selected—Bell and Fisher have speed and can shoot, while the other brothers and McKellar on the left-wing should give them all the necessary help.



NEW RULING WHICH MUST BE OBEYED

LEAGUE CHAMPIONS ARE FAVOURITES

HOLDERS' TASK AGAINST LINCOLNS

(By "Rover")

A VERY fine soccer programme of Senior and Junior First Round Shield matches is scheduled to take place to-morrow and on Sunday, the most important encounter taking place on the latter date, when the League champions, South China "A," who have hitherto remained undefeated both at home and away, meet the Chinese Athletic.

South China "B," who caused a sensation last season by easily defeating the Police in the Final Round, will meet the Lincolns in the soldiers' last game in the Colony and a grand struggle is anticipated. The Club, who also caused a major upset last season by defeating South China "A" in the Second Round, will meet the East Lancs, but are not favoured to win.

In the other encounters, the Fusiliers should win against Kowloon, while the Recreio should perform similarly against the Saints. The Royal Engineers, holders of the Junior Shield, will encounter the Air Force to-morrow, and should experience no difficulty in entering the Second Round.

ROVER'S FORECAST

The following is the forecast for the week-end fixtures, giving the favoured team in capital letters:

TO-MORROW

SENIOR SHIELD
S. CHINA "B" v Lincolns
(Caroline Hill, 4.00 p.m.)

FUSILIERS v Kowloon
(Sookkumppo, 4.00 p.m.)

St. Joseph's v RECREIO
(Caroline Hill, 4.00 p.m.)

Air Force v JUNIOR SHIELD
(Sookkumppo, 2.30 p.m.)

NAVY v Kowloon
(Caroline Hill, 2.30 p.m.)

Club v LIGA
(Caroline Hill, 2.30 p.m.)

ATHLETIC v Recreio
(Caroline Hill, 2.30 p.m.)

SUNDAY

SENIOR SHIELD
Athletic v S. CHINA "A"
(Caroline Hill, 4 p.m.)

JUNIOR SHIELD
Medicals v LINCOLNS
(Kowloon, 4 p.m.)

Chinese Police v EAST LANC'S
(Kowloon, 2.30 p.m.)

SOUTH CHINA v Eastern
(Caroline Hill, 2.30 p.m.)

FUSILIERS v P.A.C. & B.A.C.
(Sookkumppo, 4 p.m.)

S. CHINA "B" v LINCOLNS
(Caroline Hill, 4 p.m.)

RECREIO v EAST LANC'S
(Caroline Hill, 4 p.m.)

SAINTS' TEAM UNALTERED

GOOD SOCCER ENCOUNTER FOR CHATHAM ROAD

Recreio Changes For Shield Match

SAINTS' TEAM UNALTERED

The Recreio have returned to their usual formation for their Senior soccer encounter against St. Joseph's to-morrow. A. V. Gosano going back to his old position at full-back, in partnership with Bowen, while Beltrao reappears in the pivotal position.

The King's Park team have not yet decided who shall fill their inside-right position, but T. Casalho, who has been on the injured list but who has since recovered, will probably fill his vacancy.

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JUNIOR SHIELD UNCHANGED

CUTLER HEADING MAINLAND ATTACK

EASTERN ALL OUT TO WIN

SUNDAY'S PROGRAMME

The four Junior Shield games down for decision on Sunday should provide some very interesting struggles, the most outstanding being the clash between South China and Eastern Athletic.

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George Tsang, above, former captain of the South China "B" team, may not be playing against the Lincolns to-morrow.

JUNIOR SHIELD HOLDERS TO MEET AIRMEN

SMITH TO LEAD R.A.F. ATTACK

HIRST AND SELLECK IN FORM

The Royal Engineers, holders of the Junior Shield, will meet the Air Force in the First Round in a game which should be very keenly contested. The former have not displayed the same form at the end of last season, though they have won some hard games, while the Air Force have figured with varying success in the Third Division.

The Engineers will be relying very much on the team which held the East Lancs. to a draw a fortnight ago.

They have a very good forward line, ably led by Darby, Howlett, at inside-left, and Greah, on the wing, are very good and it is from these three that most of the danger is expected.

Boylng, who has been with the juniors for some time, was a pass selector last week owing to injuries received early in the game, but he has now recovered and should, with Callard, give the Air Force defence a lot of trouble.

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CHAMPIONSDAY AT THE VALLEY TOMORROW

CAN VIXEN TOR BEAT ABLE AMAZON?

GLADIATOR'S CHALLENGE TO KING'S WARDEN

BLACKSMITH AND RACING BOY AS DOUBLE COMBINE

(By "Rapier")

THE final Extra Race Meeting of the season, to be held to-morrow at the Valley, will be featured by three Champions races which will be noteworthy for the absence of Liberty Bay and Trentridge. There is a possibility that Able Amazon will not be barred from the betting so that if this "certainty" is beaten a high dividend should be declared, but the question is, can Vixen Tor do it?

For the Hong Kong Autumn Champions the probable starters are King's Warden (Mr. Roza), Gladiator (Mr. Frost), Soldier of Britain (Mr. Deitz), King's Justice (Mr. Hartman), Macaroni (Mr. Fung) and Cossack's Beauty (Mr. Liang), and a keen race is expected between King's Warden, Gladiator and Cossack's Beauty. On present form it looks as though the first named will win by a narrow margin if the pony is kept straight in the run home, but we have seen Gladiator win a fast race under Mr. Frost, and he is certainly the dangerous one here. Soldier of Britain is definitely in the first class standard, while Cossack's Beauty may once more put up one of his powerful finishes and upset calculations. My selections for this race are King's Warden, Gladiator and Soldier of Britain.

It will be interesting to note that King's Justice will be running under Mr. G. A. Harriman's colours as this gallant pony has just been sold to him.

The probable starters for the Queensland Autumn Champions are Able Amazon (Mr. Frost), Vixen Tor (Mr. Ralph), Bag Tor (Mr. Proulx), Racing Heart (Mr. Black), Shooting Star (Mr. Deitz), Snowy River (Mr. Butler), Cold Morning (Mr. Davis) and Night Star (Mr. Fung).

But for the fact that Able Amazon is starting, this race would undoubtedly be the best Champions race for a long time, as the rest of the field are so evenly matched that it would be extremely difficult to pick the winner.

Able Amazon should win but with such fine ponies in the race she will probably be forced to lower her own record in order to do so. The second and third positions will likely be taken by Vixen Tor and Bag Tor, but they will be strongly challenged by Racing Heart and Cold Morning. If Vixen Tor can manage to enter the straight together with Able Amazon, then there is every possibility of Mrs. Thinson's second candidate administering defeat to Able Amazon, thus enabling her to "rub shoulders" with her stable companion, Bag Tor.

Wadebridge Favourite

Wadebridge should win the Hong Kong Autumn Sub-Campions in a canter. He is outstanding and is quoted at 3 to 1 on at present. The second and third positions will probably be filled by Valley View and Double Chance. I cannot see anything to frighten Wadebridge this time.

The Tiger (Mr. Frost), Soldier of China (Mr. Black), Harvest View (Mr. Fung), King's Fancy (Mr. Proulx) and Soldier of Germany (Mr. Black) will be the main runners in the December Handicap (One Mile) for B Class ponies. King's Fancy has been allotted top-weight, and this might prove too much for him over a mile. This is The Tiger's best distance and with his old pilot aboard he should just about win from Soldier of China and Harvest View. Monoplane is barred after his win in Macao and though Soldier of Germany is very fit, he has a tendency to "chank it" too frequently to be considered a winner here.

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ALL BLACKS WIN AT ABERDARE

Newport Defeat Light Blues

London, Today.

The New Zealand rugby tourists continued in winning vein yesterday when they trounced the Midland District at Aberdare by 31 points to 10.

Newport were in very fine form yesterday against Cambridge, and won by 22 points to 14.

CLUB HOCKEY TEAM FOR TO-DAY

The following will represent the Hong Kong Hockey Club seconds against the "Inocentes" on the Club ground at 3 p.m. to-day. Van der Weal, A. A. E. Botelho and E. H. Lewis; A. T. Tate, E. G. Dale and R. E. Cotter; H. R. A. Wood, L. D. Kibbe, P. H. Souter, A. J. Rossiter and G. Allen.



Mr. Gilbert A. Harriman, above, will be riding King's Justice, which he recently purchased, at to-morrow's race meeting.

C.B.A. LADIES' SECOND STRING'S HOCKEY SUCCESS

Schoolgirls Lose In Seven-A-Side

MISS PETERS PLAYS FINE GAME



Rapier's Selections

RACE 1

THE TIGER
SOLDIER OF CHINA
HARVEST VIEW

RACE 2

ABLE AMAZON.
VIXEN TOR
BAG TOR

RACE 3

TILLICUM
FESTIVAL EVE
PARTNERSHIP

RACE 4

KING'S WARDEN
GLADIATOR
SOLDIER OF BRITAIN

RACE 5

BLACKSMITH
FORGEMASTER
LOCKLEY HALL

RACE 6

WADEBRIDGE
VALLEY VIEW
DOUBLE CHANCE

RACE 7

RACING BOY
VALOROUS
ZERO

RACE 8

AUSTRALIAN BOY
ALACRITY
HALCYON
Double-Blacksmith and
Racing Boy

FRIENDLY HOCKEY

Services Team Lose To H.K.S.R.A.

The Combined Services hockey team received an unexpected setback yesterday when they were defeated by the 2nd Mountain Battery, H.K.S.R.A. in a friendly match by 3 goals to 1.

Charan Singh, Aya Singh and Lt. P. de N. Rams scored for the Battery, while Pte. Taylor netted for the Combined Services.



7-A-SIDE CHAMPIONS EXTENDED

RECREIO'S UNEXPECTED RESISTANCE

MISS S. DALZIEL SCORES ONLY GOAL

So well did the Recreio "A" acquitted themselves that extra time had to be played before the "Y" Ladies beat them in their Senior Seven-a-side hockey tournament match at King's Park last evening. Miss S. Dalziel scored the goal for the winners, but full marks must be given to Miss J. Adey, who broke through in fine style and passed to Miss S. Dalziel who made no mistake with the shot.

The game was very fast throughout and opened with the Recreio attacking. That, however, was only a flash in the pan for Miss Fowler cleared in fine style and passed to Miss O. Dalziel, who brought the ball down to the other end of the field. She passed to Miss Adey who scored, but the latter had the misfortune to be ruled off-side.

For the rest of the first-half play was very even with the result that when the whistle sounded for half-time the score sheet was still blank. The second half started with the "Y" pressing, but Miss Osmund made a very safe full-back and cleared time and again when a goal appeared imminent. The Recreio Ladies came very near to scoring on two occasions, but Miss C. Silva threw away both chances, although she had only Miss Fowler to beat.

Full time came with the score sheet still blank so that the teams had to play extra time. For the first few minutes the Recreio pressed very strongly, but the "Y" defence was not to be beaten. Mrs. Brown was very prominent at this stage, her spelling being particularly good.

Miss Adey's Effort

The end came when, following a bout of mid-field play, Miss Adey took possession of the ball and broke through the Recreio defence in fine style. She might have crowned her effort with a goal, but showed unselfishness when she passed to Miss S. Dalziel who made no mistake with the shot.

"Y" Ladies: Miss A. Fowler, Mrs. Brown, Miss E. Thompson, Miss Harry, Miss O. Dalziel, Miss J. Adey and Miss S. Dalziel.

Recreio "A": Miss C. Osmund, Miss O. Botelho, Miss E. Xavier, Miss M. Alves, Miss C. Botelho, Miss C. Silva, and Miss A. Alves.

NOONAD'S HOCKEY TEAM

The following have been selected to represent the Noonad in a friendly game against the Club second string at King's Park to-day, commencing at 4.30 p.m.—R. C. Reed, A. Eca da Silva, A. N. Another, A. Xavier, P. J. Reed, S. Souza, E. V. Silva, F. O. Reed, S. A. Reed, L. Souza and J. Souza.

FINDER REWARDED

The veteran jockey is delighted to get back the whip, which had been a gift to him and which he carried when he won the Derby on Bahram.

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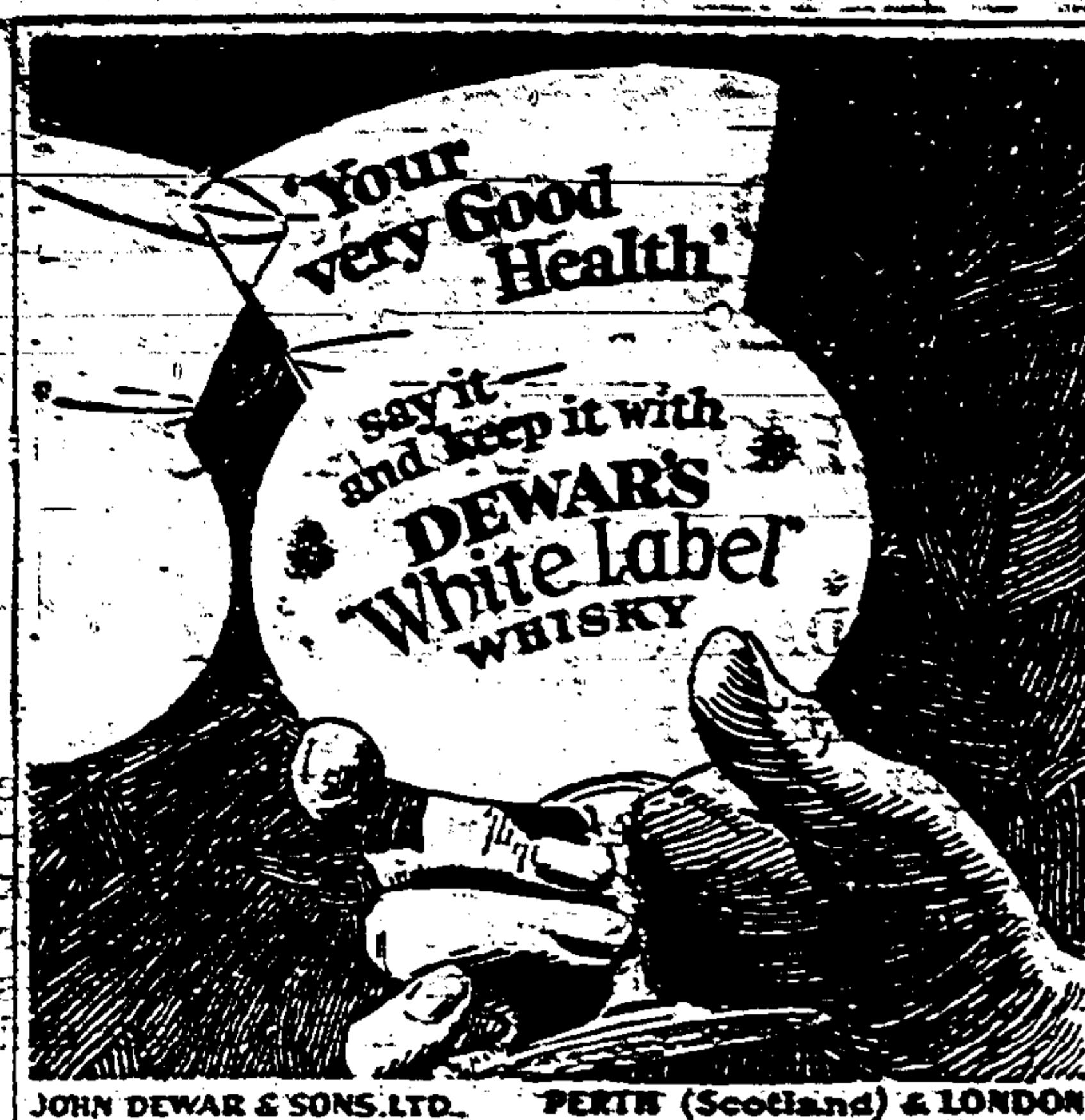
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His Excellency Takes Over

Everyone who heard His Excellency's speech in reply to the address of welcome which was read in English by the Honourable Sir Henry Pollock, and in Chinese by the Honourable Sir Shouson Chow, began to feel that confidence in our new Governor which is the first essential of a successful regime. His Excellency said that his primary feeling was one of ignorance, which he would make it his business in the next few weeks to remove by looking through the files. The ignorance can however be only of local affairs, of which only those who have to deal with them personally can expect to have any acquaintance. Our trouble is that we are the victims of forces over which we have no control—or at any rate the private citizen has no control, and that the prosperity both of the public finances and/or private business on which they depend, is being destroyed by policies of other Governments that may be amenable to reason if tactfully and firmly pressed. Our present record is simply that we have passively submitted, and eventually followed after an uncomfortable interval, interferences with business based on an itch to interfere with trade which has often been malevolent, but which even if benevolent has been equally disastrous.

We are now free to use the Exchange Fund to avoid the distressing habit of looking at the top of the front page first every day to see what our money is worth, and so long as the rate is based on the balance of payments it must coincide with the requirements of commerce. One might have expected that the experience of London, with a standard based on gold in the absence of any international agreement to use gold for the purpose of the exchange of goods, might have been a warning of what was likely to happen when the same sort of politicians and financiers began to play about with silver, and that we might have anticipated the event. The fact is that a great deal of nonsense is talked about speculators. It is to be taken for granted that there will always be a number of people who will take advantage of any method of making money that is within the law. If a currency is at a natural level anyone who buys more than he needs or sells more than he has got will simply lose his money, or some of it. If the standard coin is overvalued or undervalued the "insiders" in the market will profit by the loss of the less well informed. It is as much the duty of the Government to protect the ordinary public by a sound system of money as it is to protect them from fraud by a sound system of law.

A very good illustration of the absurdity of much comment on the silver market collapse, and the confusion of thought involved, is the remark made as an explanation of the cessation of American buying. It is stated that the cause is that it was found that "China was selling silver in order to steady the yuan." For what other reason would the sales be made? The nominal object of the policy of Mr. Morgenthau was to stabilise the Chinese money at a higher rate in the interests of Chinese importations which it was taken for

EXPLANATION OF YESTERDAY'S CARTOON

FORT BLUNDER

FTER the War of 1812, the United States decided to fortify the Canadian frontier on Lake Champlain against a Canadian invasion. A redoubtable stone structure was erected on an island in the Richelieu River at Rouses Point. It was almost completed when, in 1813, an International Boundary Commission discovered that the new American Fort was standing on Canadian soil. Work was stopped, and the matter of this "Fort Blunder" was held in abeyance until the Webster-Ashburton Treaty of 1842. In this treaty, Great Britain generously consented to change the frontier line so as to restore the site of Fort Blunder to American sovereignty.

The idea of any possible hostility between the United States and Canada is now entirely unthinkable.

The Longest Story

In 1915, Adele Garrison newspaper syndicate writer started a serial story on the married life of Richard and Madge Graham, which has been published since that time continuously, six days a week. The story so far includes thirteen complete novels with a succession of titles. Each novel presents a complete plot and reaches a conclusion, while its successor goes on to the next plot, all in chronological order in the lives of these principal characters, their relatives and intimates. The fourteenth title, now being published, is "Married Rrades".

FORTHCOMING WEDDINGS

The forthcoming marriage is announced between Richard David Tidy, Surveyor, of Hankow Road, and Doris Alice Beck, of No. 35 Ashley Road, Kowloon.

The forthcoming marriage between John William Winfield, of the Lincolnshire Regiment, and Freda Eocene Wimmel, of No. 103 Taipo Road.

granted would be in the interest of American exports. The result was to deprive China of the necessary gold dollars because at the high rate it was impossible to get credits in gold dollars by means of exports, partly because the cost of wages was raised to a point at which it was not possible both to pay Customs duties and to sell at an acceptable price. The root mistake was the idea that the American Senate or the Treasury knew what rate of silver would suit the trade better than the market itself knew by the process of dealing in the commodities. Here in Hong Kong we depend for prosperity on a natural rate of value for our money, which will be self-adjusting, subject to a moderate adjustment of the daily price which will rule out daily variations, and this can be secured not only with effect but with profit by means of the Exchange Fund. Had the Fund been in operation the last three years the only financial problem would have been how to use the profits.

Looking ahead one can see that as the cornering and hoarding of gold and silver has now driven almost the whole of the world off the use of a metal basis, the United States itself will become an advocate of an international standard. If France were driven off, that proposal would be made immediately. There will then be the usual outcry against Great Britain of a "selfish" policy in considering the requirements of its own finance, and the Crown Colonies will be brought into the argument. It would be fatal to accept any proposal that is likely to be made at present. It will take some time before the results of these years of confusion can be wiped away. No doubt it will be necessary to watch the Chinese dollar as well as the other coinages, but we will do well to retain the freedom we have now gained for a good long time to come, and there is no reason why any losses of the public should not be to the State instead of to private financiers.

Three cases of diphtheria were reported to the Health authorities in the 24 hours ended on Wednesday. The disease is a condition which it was taken for

Here I There and Everywhere

A SERIOUS COMEDIAN

Dranem, the French comedian who died recently, was, like so many men of his type of all nationalities a rather serious person in private life. At one time he wanted also to be serious in his professional life and approached Lucien Guirly, but without success.

His true ambition, never realised, was to be a lawyer, and he is said to have known the French penal code by heart.

His aptitude for cabaret work Dranem learned in the best of schools—that of Aristide Bruant, and he was to be seen at that little booth in the Boulevard Clichy long after Bruant died.

He was versatile in revolt, and visited London with the Ra-ta-tan company which had a season at the Winter Garden Theatre a good many years ago.

The announcement that H.M.S. Excellent requires a bear for its menagerie may sound odd to landmen. The fact is that H.M.S. Excellent is the name given to the Naval Gunnery School on Whale Island, off Portsmouth. The school also has an aviary.

Warships, however, often carry small animals as mascots. There was a famous bear kept on board a ship of the Grand Fleet during the war, and the Valiant now has a superb Great Dane.

When in Australian waters some years ago, the Drake carried an emu and a kangaroo. The emu is now on Whale Island.

Your Daily Smile!

The history teacher was becoming impatient at the poorly prepared lesson. "Is there anyone in this room who doesn't know anything, please stand," he shouted.

Ben, an unusually police boy, and a good student, stood.

"Do you mean that you don't know anything?" asked the surprised instructor.

"Oh, no," replied the boy. "I didn't think it was polite to let you be the only one standing."

The Wrong Waiter
"Why don't you make your fiction true to life?"

"I try to, sir."

"See here, you say: 'It was the night of the Junior Prom.' He walked up to the sorority house. She looked as beautiful as a rose leaf as she sat waiting for him."

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ENGLAND'S GREAT ORGANISER

LORD TRENCHARD IN WAR AND PEACE

BRILLIANT WORK PERFORMED FOR HIS COUNTRY

(By George Fife)

AT the age of sixty-two Lord that resignation was his only A Trenchard has qualified for course. There was a storm of slipped ease. He retires from protest over this loss of a man who had directed the whole of after carrying out with extra ordinary skill his revolutionary scheme of reorganisation.

When he sought to retire six years ago, at the time he left the Air Force, his hard-earned rest

proved to be of short duration. Quickly he was brought back into harness. It may be that on this second attempt at retirement he will be more successful. But the odds are all against that.

Probably no Englishman of our time has evoked, through leadership and exceptional organising ability, a deeper respect. Eulogistic tributes to Lord Trenchard's great worth have become almost commonplace. "I say without hesitation," remarked the Earl of Oxford and Asquith, "that he is the finest organiser I have ever met." Lord Carson alluded to him during the war as the 'very soul of the Air Force.' Sir John Simon called him its idol and inspiration. Mr. Lloyd George has paid glowing tribute to his Nelsonian qualities of mind and inspiration.

Lord Trenchard happily possesses what Lord Balfour described as "a magic personality." He has a high sense of duty and dogged determination, and all who have served under him recognise his efficiency, self-discipline and thoroughness.

He carries out his duty regardless of the consequences, whether to himself or anybody else. The power he wields may inspire fear, but to an extraordinary extent it can call forth devotion. Over and over again this was demonstrated during the war. He has never been content to demand discipline only from subordinates. He demands it from himself, when he has set his course nothing can move him from it.

At a very critical period of the war, early in 1918, he caused a first-class sensation by resigning his position as Chief of the Air Staff. His view of his duties did not coincide with that of the then Air Minister, and he felt

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Ann Sothern and Jack Haley play the principal parts in the Columbia picture "The Girl Friend," which will be screened at the Alhambra Theatre shortly.

SHORT SHOTS



IT is almost definite that there will be no film made of "Romeo and Juliet." Irving Thalberg is nervous of allowing his wife (Norma Shearer) to appear in what may prove to be a "flop." Anyhow, they had not yet chosen a "Romeo," although many of the best leading men in Hollywood had been tested.

Herbert Mundin is deserting Hollywood for a time, and will appear in a play on Broadway.

As Randolph Scott made such a success with Margaret Sullavan in "So Red The Rose," he has been given a new Paramount contract and the leading part in "The Copperhead."

Gladys Swarthout and Mary Ellis, the two famous singing actresses, will appear together in a Paramount film "Tear and Musician."

Jack Buchanan will appear in "Sir Percy Blakeney" in a film version of the "Triumph of the Scarlet Pimpernel," with Herbert Wilcox directing.

Michael Bartlett, who recently finished an important role with Claudette Colbert in "She Married Her Boss," will appear with Grace Moore again in "Cissie."

Jane Cagney and Ruby Keeler are to be teamed in a picture titled "Stagecoach."

It causes no regret to hear that Paramount have wisely withdrawn from circulation the worst Marlene

In the face of bigotry and scorn, Rosalie Hudson fights for love and happiness in "Way Down East," the Fox picture which is coming to the Alhambra Theatre soon.

Rosalind Russell has now signed to Twentieth Century to appear with George Raft in "It Had To Happen." (Continued on Page 12)



Alice Faye and Ray Walker play the leading parts in the Fox musical production "Music is Magic," which will be shown at the Alhambra Theatre to-morrow.



Edward Arnold and Jean Arthur are in "Diamond Jim," a Universal production, which is coming next week to the King's Theatre.

BEBE DANIELS RETURNS IN "MUSIC IS MAGIC"

"THE BIG BROADCAST OF 1936" HAS GALAXY OF STARS

EDWARD ARNOLD GIVES STERLING PORTRAYAL OF "DIAMOND JIM" BRADY

TAKE your film memories back a few years and recall a very lovely 13-year-old girl named Bebe Daniels, who was always "The Girl" in the early and highly-successful Harold Lloyd comedies. I still maintain that Lloyd never had any-one her equal.

Now, after holding her own with all newcomers in movies and talkies, Bebe Daniels returns to Hollywood after making films in England and an eventful personal-appearance tour in the States. We all lovingly recall some of her outstanding hits, and it won't be forgotten how she revolutionised the screen with her singing in "Rio Rita." Marriage and her pretty daughter Barbara mean more to Bebe now than screen fame, but she is still so lovely, so much in a class by herself, that we can ill afford to let her appearances be so rare.

It is good to see her again this time in the Fox Musical "Music is Magic" and she "steps out" and shows the true trooper spirit in this pleasant little semi-musical with Alice Faye nominally in the star position; but Bebe is the girl who "steals the picture".

We see her cast as a motion-picture star whose popularity is on the wane. Alice Faye, seeking fame in Hollywood, manages to obtain work in a musical in which Miss Daniels is the star. When

By Diane

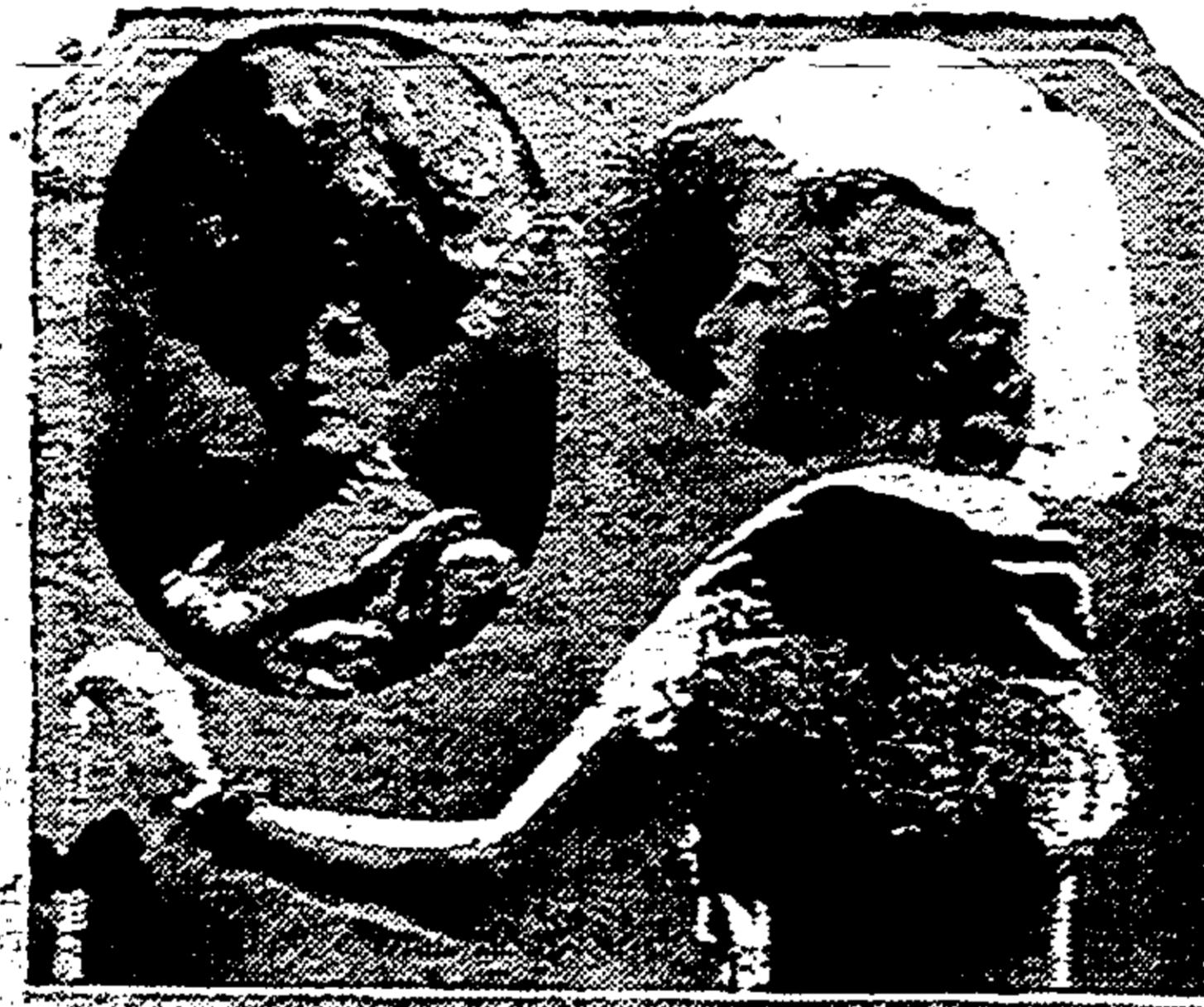
affluent railroad magnate and who was the best-known character on the "Great White Way."

It was a difficult proposition for Director Edward Sutherland to compress this man's story into a 60-minute film, and the success this picture has attained everywhere proves that the central figure is capable of capturing and holding the imagination. Edward Arnold never lets a film down, but in this "neatly" role he certainly gives a sterling performance. We see the man who bluffed his way to wealth and fame, staggered New York with his fabulous exploits, spent a fortune in record time and ate himself to death.

The fault in the picture is that no other character rings true; they are so overshadowed by "Diamond Jim".

English Binnie Barnes was chosen to play the famous beauty Lillian Russell out of dozens of applicants, with Jean Arthur as the one girl Jim would have married—she shares the female honours.

The cast is an enormous one and you will see Eric Blore, Hugh O'Connell, George Sidney, Robert McWade, Cesar Romero, Charles Sellon, Otis Harlan, Henry Kolker and many more, all sharing in a small way to make this picture a



Binnie Barnes, as Lillian Russell, in "Diamond Jim," the Universal production which will be screened at the King's Theatre next Wednesday.

the leading lady "goes temperamental," Ray Walker, young "Master of Ceremonies," manages to place his sweetheart in the role and is himself appointed dance director. Supplementing this romance we have rivalry between Bebe Daniels and her daughter, played by Rosina Lawrence.

The plot matters not a jot—it is Bebe we go to see and hear and she plays her role to the hilt. There are some catchy tunes and lots of laughs from the two comedians, Mitchell and Durant, who will be recalled for their knock-about stunts in "Stand up and Cheer".

Ray Walker, who appeared in "Bright Eyes" and "A \$10 Raise," has his first real chance as leading man and does well. Alice Faye is always a delight to watch and hear. Thomas Beck, Luis Alberni and others contribute to the all-round excellence of this entertaining musical. You would be foolish to miss it. (Alhambra).

"Diamond Jim"

These of us who "know" our pictures well still retain the most pleasant memories of Edward Arnold stealing the male honours in the Joan Crawford film "Sadie McKee." Now the Universal bring him in a colourful role which is ideally suited to this German-American actor. As the central figure in this gay tale of the "Nineties" he portrays with a deal of realism the famous diamond-decked character Jim Brady. I still remember seeing him at "most nights" on Broadway, and in those days he was always accompanied by the attractive Dolly Sisters, then in the height of their Broadway fame.

Edward Arnold gives a most skillful interpretation of the man who rose from poverty to wealth in the Alhambra.

record-smasher. This colourful biographical drama is worth seeing even if some of the incidents are a little vague and scrappy. Edward Arnold should be seen to be appreciated. (King's).

"King Solomon Of Broadway"

Gangster films still rank high in popularity, so Universal wisely bring yet another in the cycle and add music. Don't think that the hero Edmund Lowe is a gangster, please; but he has connections with one, who shares in the takings of a popular Broadway dance-and-drama palace.

The inoffensive story tells how a lovely and wealthy client at the famous restaurant (Louise Henry) offers to buy a share for our hero and with it she hopes his heart will be part of the "purchase." Hero has other dreams, though, and they include the popular entertainer Dorothy Page. Follows a kidnapping, grand play between gangster and hero and a happy ending for the loving couple.

Through this interesting and enjoyable picture we have "Pinky" Tomlin (otherwise known as "Object-of-my-affections-Tomlin") and some swingy tunes which you will want badly from the nearest gramophone shop. Miss Page is a delight to the eye and the ear. Mr. Edmund Lowe shows us as usual what the best-dressed man should wear and charms us as well as the two pretty females.

You can't fail to enjoy this musical drama, "Pinky" singing with glee and playing the guitar and Miss Page singing and dancing. Just a few of the highlights of the well-acted show. Ed Charles Grapewin, Bradley Page and small dog "Hamburgo" supervise this sumptuous production splendid performances advised. (Alhambra).

TALENT — great bundles of it, singing, dancing, musical talent spiced with amusing comedians — makes the Paramount musical "The Big Broadcast of 1936" one of those films you can't forget. It also has in its favour a better story than the usual annual round-up, and tells how Jack Oakie and Henry Wadsworth run a radio station which is popular because of "Lochinvar the Great Lover"—none other than Mr. Oakie with Mr. Wadsworth as the singing voice.

Along comes Lyda Roberti, a mysterious Countess who "shanghaies" the partners aboard her yacht and takes them off to her island castle. No more need be told, but the success of the film depends upon an invention of George Burns (the famous male partner of Burns and Allen) called the "Radio Eye" and this super-television contrivance serves to introduce the several "turns" which punctuate the development of this story, for it is tapable of picking up anything that is happening anywhere.

Among other things it picks up one of those hilarious scenes by Mary Boland and Charles Ruggles; a much-too-short glimpse of the one and only Bing Crosby, three men building a house and a spectacular item featuring Ethel Merman and a troupe of elephants. You have never seen anything much better than the elephants doing a "skit" on the Busby Berkeley style.

Throughout the story we have poor George Burns continually pestered by that amazing wife of his, Gracie Allen, glimpses of the greatest of "hoodies", Bill Robinson, Amos 'n' Andy, Ray Noble (of "Good Night, Sweetheart" fame) and his Band, the Nicholas Brothers and Hong Kong's girl Wendy Barrie, supplying the love interest with Henry Wadsworth. Light and most agreeable entertainment. Not to be missed on any account. (Queen's).

"Redheads On Parade"

Now is the chance to see and hear pretty Mrs. Bing Crosby (Dixie Lee) in a film worthy of her looks and talent. "Redheads on Parade" also brings us John Boles as a dancer, something new in addition to his delightful singing. He will surprise you with his tango, rumba and waltz, done in expert manner with his co-star to a catchy tune "I Found a Dream." The chances also for his noted acting ability are not lacking.

There are few cinema "fans" who do not enjoy a back-screen story and this is well above the average. The real star in the picture is Jean Harlow, who is unseen. The plot revolves round the rivalry between redheads and platinum blondes. Alan Dinehart, an independent producer, faces ruin unless a millionaire hair-dye manufacturer (Raymond Walburn) will finance him. Walburn, who has a secret passion for Dixie, will give \$300,000 if platinum blondes disappear from the United States, leaving only his famous red dye popular.

What more do you want to know of this Fox musical? Nothing, when you realise it has comedian Jack Haley as a public-spirited citizen, British William Austin and Herman Bing supplying more humour, five-year-old Patry O'Connor, Alan Dinehart and Wilbur Mack, but most important of all about 50 gorgeous red-headed girls trained by that master of the dance Larry Cebollos, who contribute more than their share towards making this one of the outstanding hits of the season. The best tunes are "The Got You Future," "All I Want," and "Redheads on Parade." Norman McLeod directs and Jesse Lasky supervises this sumptuous production. Worth seeing. (King's).

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ALHAMBRA

TO-MORROW

FALL UNDER THE SPELL OF ITS MAGICAL MUSIC



A Fox Picture with
ALICE FAYE
RAY WALKER
BEBE DANIELS
MITCHELL & DURANT
Associate Producer John Sturges

STAR-STUDDED with STARS of
RADIO—
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SUNDAY AT KING'S
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Timely hits — cheerful fun — comic romance — exciting dances! And — 48 GLAMOROUS, GLORIOUS CUTIES!



Wendy Barrie is featured in "The Big Broadcast of 1936," which is coming to-morrow to the Queen's. She is here seen with Henry Wadsworth.

ADDIS ABABA PANIC

MYSTERY CLEARED BY INVESTIGATION

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL
Addis Ababa, To-day.

A totally unexpected explanation for the sudden panic that broke out here on Wednesday when it was reported that Italian bombing planes were on their way to the Abyssinian capital has just resulted from an official investigation into the mystery.

A telegram which arrived from the United States to a film news reporter here, expressing the belief that Addis Ababa was about to be bombarded and urging the Five's preparing a report immediately on the basis of the Franco-British plan.

The objections of Poland and Turkey are the first practical expression of strong opposition to the Rome correspondent of the *Journal*, who says that rumours to that effect are circulating in the Italian capital, where it is pointed out that Sir Samuel could reach the Italian frontier by car in less than an hour from the Engadine resort where he is now staying.

For the time being, however, so

PORT OF ASSAB FOR ABYSSINIA

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SPANISH APPROVAL

In any case they declared that they could not participate in the work of the committee until the attitude of Signor Mussolini and the Negus towards the Franco-British proposals was known.

The Spanish delegate, Senor Madariaga, on the other hand,

who travelled from Paris to Geneva with Mr. Eden and M. Laval, is understood to be in agreement with the Committee of Five's preparing a report immediately on the basis of the Franco-British plan.

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the correspondent adds, such a journey is considered in Rome to be premature, but it is believed not unlikely that Sir Samuel

Hoare and M. Laval of committing the crime of wanting to reward the aggressor, Italy, and of betraying the League Covenant.

CHIEF OBJECTIONS

The chief objections to the proposal can be summed up as follows:

(1) England and France had no mandate from the League to undertake negotiations;

(2) The Committee of Five does not exist any more; the League Council must deal with the matter afresh and institute a new committee;

(3) The negotiations of M. Laval and Sir Samuel Hoare constitute an infringement of the former decisions taken by the Sanctions Conference concerning the oil embargo;

(4) In any case M. Laval and Sir Samuel Hoare ought to have submitted their proposals to the League Council before communicating them to the other countries concerned;

(5) Without the Negus's approval the League Council, and still less England and France, cannot begin negotiations with Signor Mussolini.—Trans-Ocean Service.

COUNCIL TO DECIDE

Geneva: Yesterday's meeting of the Committee agreed with the Polish delegate, that all international matters should be placed before the League Council and not before the Committee of Five.

Mr. Anthony Eden said that the peace proposals made by Britain and France were neither definite nor sacrosanct. They were suggestions, which it was hoped would make possible the beginning of negotiations. Proposals for their improvement would be cordially welcomed.

He suggested that the Council should be summoned at the earliest possible moment to hear a full statement on the peace terms and to determine what course it wishes to pursue in the light of the situation thus created.

After M. Laval had supported Mr. Eden the Committee adjourned until to-day, when it will discuss the report on the working of the sanctions.

MEETING NEXT WEDNESDAY

Geneva: The League Council has been convened for next Wednesday.

There is much comment on Mr. Anthony Eden's remark in his speech before the Committee of Eighteen: "We shall make no complaints if the League does not agree with these suggestions." Enquiry indicates that the pro-

posals have very little chance of adoption by the League.

The report of the committee of experts, distributed last evening, shows that the economic and financial sanctions have so far been applied with remarkable unanimity by some 50 Governments.—Reuter.

Sir Samuel Hoare To Visit Italy?

RUMOURS IN ROME

Paris: The British Foreign Secretary, Sir Samuel Hoare, may possibly visit Italy, according to the Rome correspondent of the *Journal*, who says that rumours to that effect are circulating in the Italian capital, where it is pointed out that Sir Samuel could reach the Italian frontier by car in less than an hour from the Engadine resort where he is now staying.

For the time being, however, so

the correspondent adds, such a journey is considered in Rome to be premature, but it is believed not unlikely that Sir Samuel

Hoare might wish to enter into personal contact with the Italian statesmen in view of the impending peace negotiations. The Geneva correspondent of the *Matin* states that similar rumours are persistently circulating in League circles.

General Optimism In Italy

ALLEGED BRITISH CHANGE OF FRONT

Rome: The general optimism caused here by the Franco-British peace proposals still continues. Italian official quarters expect that the Sanctions Committee re-assembling at Geneva to-day will not only forego the intensification of the sanctions for the time being, but will lift the sanctions altogether if the peace negotiations with Abyssinia become a fact.

Commenting on the British change of attitude the *Corriere della Sera*'s London correspondent declares that the British Government has realised that it was not possible to insist on the application of the League Covenant at any price.

The determined attitude shown by Italy as well as events in the Mediterranean and Egypt have also decisively influenced the change of British policy, asserts the paper.—Trans-Ocean Service.

QUESTION IN COMMONS

In reply to a question in Parliament yesterday the Prime Minister Mr. Stanley Baldwin, said that the co-ordination measures to be taken under Article XVI of the Covenant in connection with the dispute between Italy and Ethiopia were undertaken by a Committee composed of all the members of the League except Italy and Ethiopia. All the members of this Committee have concurred in the application of the measures so far decided upon, with the exception of Austria, Hungary, Albania and Paraguay.

The Governments of the first three countries have stated that they are unable to participate in the measures in question, while the Paraguayan Government have stated they do not deem it desirable for the present to consider the resolution as concerning them.

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TWO COURSES OPEN

Geneva: The League Council will probably meet on Tuesday or Wednesday of next week. Meanwhile the formulas drafted in Paris will be communicated to the Council members.

According to press telegrams it is thought in Geneva that two courses will be open to the Council when the Italian and Ethiopian views on the Paris proposals have been received. The suggested alternatives are that if both the parties find them unacceptable, the proposals should be dropped or if they are not accepted in the present form by either party, they should be revised and re-submitted.

In the mean time the Committee of Eighteen will proceed with the examination of the working of the proposals before it, for the extension of the economic measures.

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EXCURSIONS TO MANILA

Christmas And New Year Holidays

EXCELLENT CHEAP FACILITIES PROVIDED

The Dollar Steamship Line and American Mail Line advise that reductions have been made in their Christmas and New Year excursion fares to Manila. As is already known, during the Christmas Holidays excursions are as follows:

President Hoover
Leaves Hong Kong, Dec. 19, 9 p.m.
Arrives Manila, Dec. 22, 7 a.m.
Leaves Manila, Dec. 25, 3 p.m.
Arrives Hong Kong, Dec. 27, 7 a.m.

President Grant
Leaves Hong Kong, Dec. 24, 6 p.m.
Arrives Manila, Dec. 30, 7 a.m.
Leaves Manila, Jan. 1, 3 p.m.
Arrives Hong Kong, Jan. 3, 7 a.m.

On these two steamers, for the round trip Hong Kong to Manila and return, the companies are quoting excursion fares as follows:

First Class
Minimum Rate H.K.\$180.00

Small Cabin with
Bath H.K.\$196.00

Large Cabin with
Bath H.K.\$204.00

Extra Large Cabin
with Bath H.K.\$216.00

Special Class
President Hoover H.K.\$120.00

Tourist Class
President Grant H.K.\$108.00

These fares provide for transportation to and from Manila, and meals and accommodation on board the steamer the first day after arrival free; but should passengers desire to use the steamer as their hotel in Manila, having their meals on board and sleeping on the steamer during the stay in Manila, an additional charge of H.K.\$10.00 per day will be made for each day after the first day.

It will be noted that these fares are extremely low and the trip should provide an excellent holiday.

The men used to drop in later

on in the evenings for a drink and a talk, and he was proud of the

fact that never once in twenty years had a Bamber man had one too many. The inn was used as an inn should be used. It was a

friendly, easy, sociable meeting-place. It brought him a modest

livelihood. It did nobody any harm.

Then old Joe Higgins went the way of all flesh, and Simon Duddle came in his stead. And Simon Duddle was a very different pair of shoes.

Mr. Duddle was short of one eye, but the sound one was an eye to business, directed by a mind rather like a maze, full of devious paths all leading to his heart, wherein lay his single ambition of getting rich quick at Bamber's expense.

He regarded the late Higgins as an incompetent fool, much too soft for this world. As far as he

was concerned the Cotton Tree was suffering from a blight worse than the boll weevil, and the pastoral peace of Bamber evenings was as depressing to his spirit as solitary confinement would have been.

OFFICIAL CALLS

Government House Activity

In connection with the arrival of His Excellency the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, official calls were made at Government House this morning by His Excellency the C-in-C, Admiral Sir Frederic Dreyer, His Excellency the G.O.C., Major-General A. W. Bartholomew, and Commodore C. G. Sedgwick.

Subsequently His Excellency the Governor paid return calls on His Excellency the C-in-C, on board H.M.S. *Falrnouth*, where a detachment from H.M.S. *Kent* formed the Guard of Honour; on

His Excellency the G.O.C. at Flagstaff House where the 1st Battalion, the Lincolnshire Regiment provided the Guard of Honour; and on the Commodore on board H.M.S. *Tamar* where the Guard of Honour was provided by the Royal Marines.

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There is much comment on Mr. Anthony Eden's remark in his speech before the Committee of Eighteen: "We shall make no complaints if the League does not agree with these suggestions." Enquiry indicates that the pro-

To-day's Short Story

CATSPA W

By T. G.
King

"That's drunk," she said superfluously.

"Nobbut a bit funny like," Billy replied, unsuccessfully trying to strangle a hiccup at birth.

"This is a bit o' that one-eyed lamp-post at th' Cotton Tree. I'm ashamed of thee. Thall have no supper here in that state."

"I've had my supper," said Billy solemnly.

"If the calls ale supper—"

"Rabbit pie," said Billy.

Emma stared incredulous.

"Duddle's rabbit pie," repeated Billy.

"Free to regular customers."

"Duddle's rabbit pie!" It sounded like a slogan as Emma echoed it.

"And that's solid birthright for a mess o' rabbit pie. I thought thad more oil in thy can

to be codded like that. It's time I had summatur to say in this. I'll give Duddle a piece o' my mind."

Mr. Duddle was in the act of shooting the bolt when Emma knocked. He reopened slowly,

"That's sent my man home drunk," said Emma shortly.

Duddle sent an amused beam

down to her from his one eye.

"Is that a crime?" he inquired blandly.

"I'd have thee clapped in gaol if it were. I'm warning thee."

"Thank you kindly," said Duddle.

"Bamber never had a drunken husband till you came. That's

making beasts out o' decent lads. But I'll clip thi wings. Tee mind thi P's and Q's."

"Or you'll dot my I," said Duddle. "Quite a temperance re-

former, Mrs. Shutta."

"I'll have a do at reforming thee, choosehow."

UNION CHURCH

Services For Next Week

CHRISTMAS DAY DEVOTION

The following are the intimations for the forthcoming week:

To-morrow:—Morning Service

at 10.30 a.m. (Preacher: Rev. John D. MacLean); Evening Service at 6 p.m.

Tuesday, December 17:—Meeting of Soldiers' and Airmen's Christian Association at 7.30 p.m.

The German community will

give a presentation of a Nativity Play in the Church on Friday,

December 20, at 5.30 p.m.

A Service of Worship will be held on Christmas morning, December 25, at 10.30 a.m.

A Concert will be held in the Church Hall on Wednesday, December 18, at 8 p.m. The Concert Party from H.M.S. *Bruce*

will provide the entertainment.

Every Friday at 10.30 a.m. a

Devotional Meeting is held in the Helena May Institute.

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LONDON LETTER

(From Our Own Correspondent)

London, Nov. 7. THE remarkable way in which Great Britain has overcome the financial problems of this autumn compared with those of 1912 is discussed in an article in the Midland Bank Monthly Review.

In August 1912, the Bank rate was raised from 3 to 4 per cent, and later to 5 per cent, and the Bank's gold reserve fell sharply when war broke out in the Near East. Nearly a year elapsed before the gold reserve recovered to 40 millions and it was not until 1914 that the 3 per cent. Bank rate was restored.

"The point to be emphasised in this story lies here," it is stated. "For a considerable period the prices of long-term capital and of short-term credit, that is, rates of interest generally, were unduly high in the sense that industry, trade, and capital enterprise had to pay more for their finance than they would have paid but for a series of unfavourable events."

The price of intimate international associations, it is added, so far as it was expressed in the free working of a gold standard, had to be paid by our own domestic business undertakings, whether themselves concerned in our external trade or not.

Gold Transfers

The anxiety of the late summer of 1935 regarding the possibility of armed hostilities between Italy and Ethiopia led to a large quantity of gold passing from British ownership to the United States, estimated at

\$330,000,000 during the first half of October.

As compared with 1912, the gold outflow was many times larger, and the fall in the dollar value of sterling far heavier, it is stated. The striking contrast is revealed in the absence of any rise in Bank rate, a step which would have been an inevitable part of the procedure on an international gold standard system. The results of the enormous gold outflow were amazingly slight in general.

Whereas in 1912 the effects of London's international position were inevitably transmitted, for good or ill, to domestic industry and trade, in 1935 the effects were insulated and industry and trade, so far as financing was concerned, were free to go on peacefully and uninterruptedly with their business.

Treasures of £100,000 Library

The finest private collection of rare books and manuscripts in England has been handed over to a university to be held in trust for the nation. It is the famous library of the late Lord Brotherton, who died in October 1930. It is valued at well over £100,000 and the responsibility of it has been accepted by the University of Leeds.

The books are housed in a building which was specially built at Lord Brotherton's expense and he made a further gift of £30,000 for the maintenance and administration of them.

The library contains many

ABOLITION OF SENATE BILL CARRIED IN IRISH DAIL

Dublin, To-day. A motion introduced by Mr. de Valera in the Dail, to send again to the Senate the bill for the abolition of the Senate, which that body had previously rejected, was carried yesterday by 76 votes to 57.

Mr. de Valera, concluding the debate, said that temporarily anyhow there would be a single Chamber of Legislature. Meanwhile they would try what could be done, and he was perfectly certain that their experience would be such that they would not be in any great anxiety to change it.—Berten.

POPPY DAY FUND

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Three folios in perfect condition. There are also some thousands of miscellaneous literary and historical letters, first editions of Spenser's "Faerie Queen" and "Complaints," and many other original editions of the Elizabethans.

Commentary on Psalms. The treasures of Greek and Latin manuscripts include a commentary on the Psalms written in the 11th century and there are several valuable manuscripts depicting work before the advent of printing.

Another treasure is a fine 11th century manuscript of the Venerable Bede, on 48 pages of vellum. Among other rare first editions is Milton's "Paradise Lost."

There is a rare accumulation of letters and literary remains of distinguished people. The collection of Bronte books and literature appertaining to the Bronte family is admitted the finest ever assembled.

Original manuscripts of Mendelssohn and a library of his works are treasures of a section of the library devoted to music. Early collections of the original orchestral parts of the compositions of many famous composers are also preserved there.

British Museum Hoaxed. The British Museum has been hoaxed.

Experts have discovered that one of their prominent exhibits supposed to be 2,600 years old was made by a clever forger less than 100 years ago. It is officially stated that the trustees now believe that "the time for its removal from the galleries has fully arrived."

The exhibit is the so-called Cervetri Sarcophagus in the Greek and Roman galleries of the museum. On its lid are figures of a man and a woman.

It was supposed to date from 600 B.C. and it has been in the possession of the museum for over 50 years. Terracotta, of which it is made, is one of the few materials which undergo no physical change with time, so both X-rays and ultra-violet rays have been powerless to detect the forgery.

Frenchman Responsible? Enrico Pennelli, a Frenchman, is believed to have been responsible for the hoax which has taken in experts in several countries. The British Museum secured the sarcophagus from a Roman dealer of good repute in 1873. This dealer bought it from Enrico's brother, who said that he had unearthed it at Cervetri. But soon after it had been pieced together, doubts were cast on its antiquity.

Sir Charles Newton, then keeper of the department responsible for the Exhibit, went to Paris to investigate, when it was discovered that Enrico was boasting that he had made it.

Enrico said that his brother had smashed the work into pieces and had them buried it for some time to make it look old. Later he unearthed it and sold it to a dealer.

For over 50 years experts have been pondering over the "masterpiece." Now, at last, the experts are convinced that the museum was "hoaxed."

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CAN VIXEN TOR BEAT ABLE AMAZON?

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The Female Handicap

Alacrity (141 lbs) seems to have improved considerably, judging from his good gallop a few days ago when he finished up in 25.3. I understand Mr. Ralph will be taking him out and that the stable connections are confident of success. Australian Boy (145 lbs), with Mr. Davis on the saddle, is also dangerous, especially over a mile. Halcyon who ran a good race behind Snowy River, is in at 135 lbs and she also put up a good gallop last Saturday.

I hope to see Halcyon register his first win as I understand he is now showing more interest in racing, especially on his last outing, when he "stayed the course" to take second place after trying to steal the race with only 139 lbs to carry.

Saucy Face seems to be carrying too much weight and, though she is always near the finish, she lacks her former brilliance.

Atlas is a doubtful starter (he was slightly lame a fortnight ago)

while I am of the opinion that both

Empire Day and St. Joan will find

the pace too hot for them.

The Novices

Tillicum will be ridden by Mr. R. M. Wood in this race, having been held over for this event. That was the reason why he was not started at Macao last Sunday. Although the mile may prove just too far for him, I think he should win.

Festival Eve runs better under his novice jockey (Mr. S. L. Yuen) and he together with Partnership (Mr. Choy Wing-chiu) and Heart's Glory (Mr. H. A. Botelho) will give Tillicum a good race.

Plain View is the best outsider in this race.

* Only five runners will go out in the first leg of the "Daily Double" and the penalty of 168 lbs will spoil all Tin Ho's chances of winning, the penalty being due to his win at Macao last Sunday.

Instead of risking the conditions call for a 7 lb penalty, it seems to me that it would have been better to bar the pony rather than force him to carry such a burden, especially as he is a sub.

Blacksmith (Mr. Pih) is very fit and is expected to win with Forgemaster and Locksley Hall taking the minor places.

Deemster, always dangerous but not a winner thus far, might cause a surprise and pull it off.

Bright Star is favourite for the Tardy Handicap, but I did not like the way he moved in his last gallop. Racing Boy (Mr. Black) Valoroso (Mr. Frost) and Zero (Mr. Ralph) should finish in this order with Royal Romance as the long shot outsider.

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NAVY SHOULD BEAT KOWLOON IN JUNIOR MATCH

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Tudor will occupy the centre-half berth and on his display of last week should be well able to hold the Kowloon forwards.

In the forward line Spencer, Wride and Wilcox will give the Kowloon defence plenty to do.

Kowloon's Good Team

Kowloon have selected the best team available. Minnifield has given some good displays recently and has played in goal before.

Willis and Fixman are a hard-working pair of backs, while Stewart in the pivot position should, even if hard-pressed, be able to hold their own.

Cutter will lead the forwards this week, while Bone, who has played for the Club before, will make a reappearance.

CLUB ONCE AGAIN ALTER THEIR ATTACK

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The East Lancs, on the other hand, have played together as a team for the majority of their matches and can claim to have shown a better understanding between their defence and their attack than their opponents.

The game should produce some good sport with the odds on the

QUESTIONS IN COMMONS

Filling Deficiencies In Defence Forces

JAPAN'S COMMERCIAL RIGHTS IN MANDATED TERRITORIES

London, To-day. At question time in the House of Commons yesterday, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, was asked whether the money required for the reorganisation of the navy and air force would be raised by way of loans or met from ordinary revenue. In reply he recalled that the Government proposals for making good deficiencies in the defence forces had not yet been formulated and added that until that was done it would be premature to consider whether any part of the cost should be met by a loan.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the Prime Minister, in reply to a Commons' question said that Japan, having ceased to be a member of the League of Nations, has no legal right to claim equality of treatment in commercial matters in the Mandated Territories under the provisions of the Mandates. On the other hand, at the present time the Anglo-Japanese Commercial Treaty of 1911 extends to certain of the Mandated Territories administered by His Majesty's Government and by virtue of that treaty Japan possesses most favoured nation rights on a reciprocity basis as long as these extensions remain in force.—British Wireless Service.

SUBSIDIES TO SHIPPING.

British Lines Cannot Compete

Montreal, To-day. The Canadian Australasian Line, in which the Canadian Pacific Railway Company owns a half interest, will discontinue its steamship service between Australia and New Zealand unless the three Dominions concerned give it more adequate support, announced Sir Edward Beatty, President of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

He said that the service was definitely imperilled by the competition of heavily subsidised United States steamships.—Reuter.

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GOOD SOCCER ENCOUNTER FOR CHATHAM ROAD

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The Recreio have always performed well in the Shield and should enter the Second Round, despite the Saints' formidable reputation.

No Changes

The latter are making no changes from the team which went down so disastrously to South China "A" last week in the League.

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THE SAINTS' SELECTORS

The Saints' selectors have been wise enough to grasp the fact that they were beaten by a much better combination and that it was not due to any weaknesses that they failed against the champions, and are consequently giving the same formation another chance. If only some of the other civilian teams would follow their example there would be better football!

Costa's Consistency

Costa, the Saints' left-back, has been displaying consistently good form to date and, despite his awk-

wardness, is in the running for an Interport trial. He has only

to repeat his performance against the champions for the remaining matches in order to qualify.

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JUNIOR SHIELD HOLDERS TO MEET AIRMEN

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IN HONG KONG

In Hong Kong, the pivot, the Engineer, have a very sound player, while Selleck, in goal, is also playing very well at the moment. Farmer, the Air Force centre-forward, will not be playing this week and Smith will be leading the attack. Docherty and Ewart have also been playing well for the past few weeks and should give Selleck a busy time.

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ALL PRICES BELOW COST

Apricots, Sweet Pickled	Del Monte	2½ tins	50c
Apricots	Sunkist	2½ tins	45
Apricots, Sundried	S & W	1 lb cello pkt.	54
Artichokes Whole	S & W	No. 2 tin	60
Asparagus M. W.	Sunkist	2½ sq. tin	73
Asparagus Tips	Del Monte	No. 1 sq. tin	68
Asparagus Tips	Sunkist	No. 1 sq. tin	65
Asparagus Tips	Del Monte	Picnic tin	35
Asparagus Tips	Sunkist	Picnic tin	33
Blackberries	Del Monte	1 lb tin	35
Beef, Dried	Libby	3½ ozs bot.	25
Cream, Thick	Peony	6 ozs tin	25
Cream Crackers	Jacob	No. 3 tin	155
Cherries, Red	Sunkist	6 ozs bot.	35
Celery, Utah	S & W	No. 2 tin	50
Cluster Raisins	California	5 lb box	135
Cluster Raisins	Dromedary	10 ozs pnts.	40
Dates	Sunshine	500 in pkt.	30
Drinking Straws	Del Monte	500 in pkt.	30
Egg Plums	Del Monte	2½ tin	44
Fruit for Salad	Del Monte	1 lb tin	55
Fruit Cocktail	S & W	1 lb tin	38
Figs, Calimyrna	Del Monte	8 ozs cello pkt.	27
Grapes, Muscat	Del Monte	2½ tin	45
Greengage Plums	Del Monte	2½ tin	44
Green Peas	Fama	1 lb tin	14
Golden Delicious	California	per lb	40
Greengages, English	Beaulah	No. 2 tin	30
Honey, Strained	S & W	1 lb bot.	70
Honey, Comb	S & W	1 lb bot.	55
Haricot Verts	Dalidet	1 lb tin	32
½ Lemons & ½ Oranges	Brooke	20 ozs bot.	75
Jams, Assorted	IXL	12 ozs tin	22
Juice, Grape	Welch	1 pint bot	

CATSPA W

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"Pussyfoot! That's what I call you, me'm. Pussyfoot."

"There and thi rabbit pie!" said Emma scornfully.

"Quite a respectable catspaw, as it were, is rabbit pie." Duddle laughed richly. "You see the joke — catspaw. Pussyfoot. Good-night, ma'am. We'll have a ladies' night one of these days."

And he slammed the door in her face and went to bed.

Mrs. Shutt went slowly home, brooding on Pussyfoot. Duddle had better left that unsaid.

Meanwhile, the landlord of the Cotton Tree could afford to smile. His house was full night after night. Ale flowed from his barrels and brass flowed into his till. Duddle's rabbit pies became famous far and wide, and to Duddle at least were worth more than their weight in liquor.

All went merrily as a marriage bell until the fatal night when Charley, the village butt, appeared to put his foot in it.

The evening sun poured through the open window, and lit the convivial scene in the bar parlour with gentle radiance. It fell upon the homely faces of Bamber's male population, flushed with the pleasures of the board; it fell upon the shining glasses and lit the amber fluid to a bright flame; it fell upon the white tablecloth, and drew flashes from knives and forks hard at work; it fell upon Duddle at the head of the table doing the honours, his solitary orb gleaming like the Cyclops'; on waiters replenishing plate and glass in endless procession; and, outside, it fell upon Emma Shutt and threw her shadow over the festive occupants, blissfully unconscious that any shadow could be so near.

Duddle exuded the oil of self-satisfaction. This was how he liked it. Bustle and noise and business, everybody talking at once and becoming hoarse and thirsty.

"Bit more rabbit pie, Mr. Shutt?"
Pass the pickles to Mr. Smith. Joe
gentleman there calling for an-

The rabbit pie was still a negotiable quantity when the door opened and Charley sidled in. His vacuous face had its usual fixed grin as he stood against the wall, with his hands behind him.

"Hello, Charley," somebody said.
"What hast gotten here?"
"It's for Master Duddle," said

"It's for Mestur Duddle," said Charley, without moving.

"I find him a few odd jobs in explanation.

I had him a few odd jobs, y'know. Running errands and such like. What is it, Charles?

"This is th' best I could do this week, Mestur Duddle," said Charley. His hands appeared from behind his back, holding by the scruff of its neck an ill-conditioned, half starved, sorry-looking cat, barred yellow, with light-coloured

He deposited it on the table. The hair of its attenuated neck stood up like sparse grass on a parched field, and its tail shook like an aspen. It cocked its hungry whiskers to windward of the appetising aroma that hung in the room, shook each of its paws in turn, and stepped daintily towards the rabbit pie dish that lay

in front of the paralysed Duddle. As one man the company rose, clapped hands to mouths and fought its way out into the fresh air. In less than half a minute, Duddle sat alone with the rabbit, the cat, and Charley.

His eye wavered for a moment between the rabbit and the cat, his own stomach scarcely proof against the subtle suggestion of affinity between them, and then translated Charley.

"Who's put you up to this?" he asked and knew the answer before the simple-minded Charley spoke.

"He," said a voice from the window. "Puasyfoot!"

Doddle quailed before the light of triumph in Mrs. Shatt's eyes. She took advantage of his paralytic state.

"I was you as told me your rabbit pie a cat's paw. Well, possey's got in it for you. Remember, never want rabbit pie nor

... come, and
I'll tell 'em, learnin' o'er th' wall
To th' late o' Men."

THE VILLAGE

Bringing Up Father





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HIME MARU (Starts from Kobe)	Wednesday, 25th Dec.
HELAN MARU (Starts from Kobe)	Monday, 29th Jan.
LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP & ROTTERDAM	
HAKUSAN MARU	Saturday, 21st Dec.
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TOYAMA MARU	Saturday, 28th Dec.
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NOOSHIO MARU	Friday, 27th Dec.
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CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon	
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CALCUTTA via Singapore, Belawan, Deli, & Rangoon	Hamburg Maru	Fri., 20th Dec.
JAPAN PORTS	Shunko Maru	Thurs., 2nd Jan.
JAPAN via Takao & Keelung	Argus Maru	Mon., 23rd Dec.
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Lyle Talbot, Roscoe Karns and Bradley Page are in "Red Hot Tires," a Warner Bros. picture which will be screened at the Star Theatre soon.

TALKIE TALKS

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"Smart Girl"

When Kent Taylor rings the doorbell of a big house-to-serve a legal paper on its owner, the door is opened by Ida Lupino, who three minutes later proposes to the process-server. Not impressed by her apparent flippancy he marries instead her sister (Gail Patrick) and struggles valiantly to help both girls through the hard times that follow their bank-broke father's suicide. Miss Lupino goes to work for a German milliner (Joseph Cawthorne) and proceeds to demonstrate that, in spite of her smart talk, she is the one he should have picked.

This is a smart-little comedy and rings up another hit for the ambitious producer Walter Wanger (who gave us "Private Worlds" among others). The cast is an excellent one, comprising that fascinating villain Sidney Blackmer, likeable Kent Taylor

and two grand comedians, Joseph Cawthorne and "Pinky" Tomlin, who, alas, does not sing a note. Miss Patrick has beauty and

grace, and has concentrated on trains, and has concentrated on acquiring that beautiful so-called "international voice," while English Ida Lupino favours an American accent. Miss Lupino has more energy than a small dynamo and is strong on fast conversation. You will enjoy this picture. (Queen's.)

"People Will Talk"

Charles Ruggles once more at the mercy of Mary Boland in a matrimonial venture. The story tells how they have been married happily for twenty-three years, when they are horrified by their daughter (Leila Hyams) announcing that as her husband (Dean Jagger) has tired of her she will dignify treatment which raises "return to Mother." Thereupon Mary Boland has a typical "Bo-landish" brain wave for re-uniting the couple. Naturally there are misunderstandings and poor Charles Ruggles even stoops to slapstick. The entertainment value in this picture lies in the Ruggles inimitable brand of humor and the fussiness of Mary Boland. This pleasant little domestic comedy has many amusing scenes and is definitely worth seeing. (Queen's.)

"Death Flies East"

Murder mystery on a trans-continental air liner, where we find heroine Florence Rice on parole from a Los Angeles prison flying East to secure a confession from a condemned man who can exonerate her from complicity in a poison case. Conrad Nagel is also on the plane with the "papers" which he must deliver in Washington. Other passengers include a detective, a Japanese, an insurance agent, a deaf woman, a business man and an ordinary passenger. Add a murderer and as usual you spend all your time picking the culprit. To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations consignee must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

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Short Shots

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It is reported that after Wheeler and Woolsey complete their next comedy "Wild West" for RKO they will probably join another studio.

Spil Thorndike and Sir Cedric Hardwicke will appear with Nata Rubens in the film made of the life of Lady Jane Grey, who was England's Queen for a few short days.

John Gielgud, who will be remembered in "The Good Companions" is back at Gaumont-British studio to appear with Madeline Carroll in Somerset Maugham's "Ashenden Stories," enacting the lead in the film titled "Secret Agent."

Mark Sandrich, the director who has given us so many of the Astaire-Rogers hits, has discovered a new girl to replace Irene Dunne in "Follow the Fleet." This lovely blonde will play the love interest with Randolph Scott. Her name is Harriet Hubbard.

Brian Aherne and not Herbert Marshall will be cast as "Phile Van" in the new series of the famous detective's adventures. For the first time the hero will fall in love.

W. C. Fields, when he finally recovers from his serious illness, has three films to make. First will be "Pickwick Papers," then later "McVan Winkle" and "Don Quixote."

Wallace Beery is scheduled to appear in a strong drama about the same close to innocent people by Prohibition in America. He is to play the part of a saloon-keeper who is driven to crime. (Will he change his name?)—DIANE.

Followed by what I call a J.A.P. (Just Another Picture), Fay Wray and Paul Lukas in "The Countess of Monte Cristo" (Star).

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Oriental
"Black Fury" is a very fine drama of life in a coal-mining community in Pennsylvania. Atmosphere and plot both drab, but the sterling acting of the star Paul Muni and the intelligent theme are sufficient compensation.

Advised.

"George White's Scandals," with Alice Faye, Jimmy Dunn, Ned Sparks and Mrs. George White stealing most of the lime-light. Some catchy tunes and the greatest female tap-dancer in the world, who has now scored a riotous hit in "Broadway Melody of 1936," Eleanor Powell, merely allowed to perform one dance, but still managing to be the hit of the show as far as I am concerned.

Followed by a film I have been hoping to see in a return date for months past, "Lives of a Bengal Lancer." Military drama at an army outpost in Northern India. Magnificent spectacle, good human story, not forgetting laughs as well as tears. Excellent acting.

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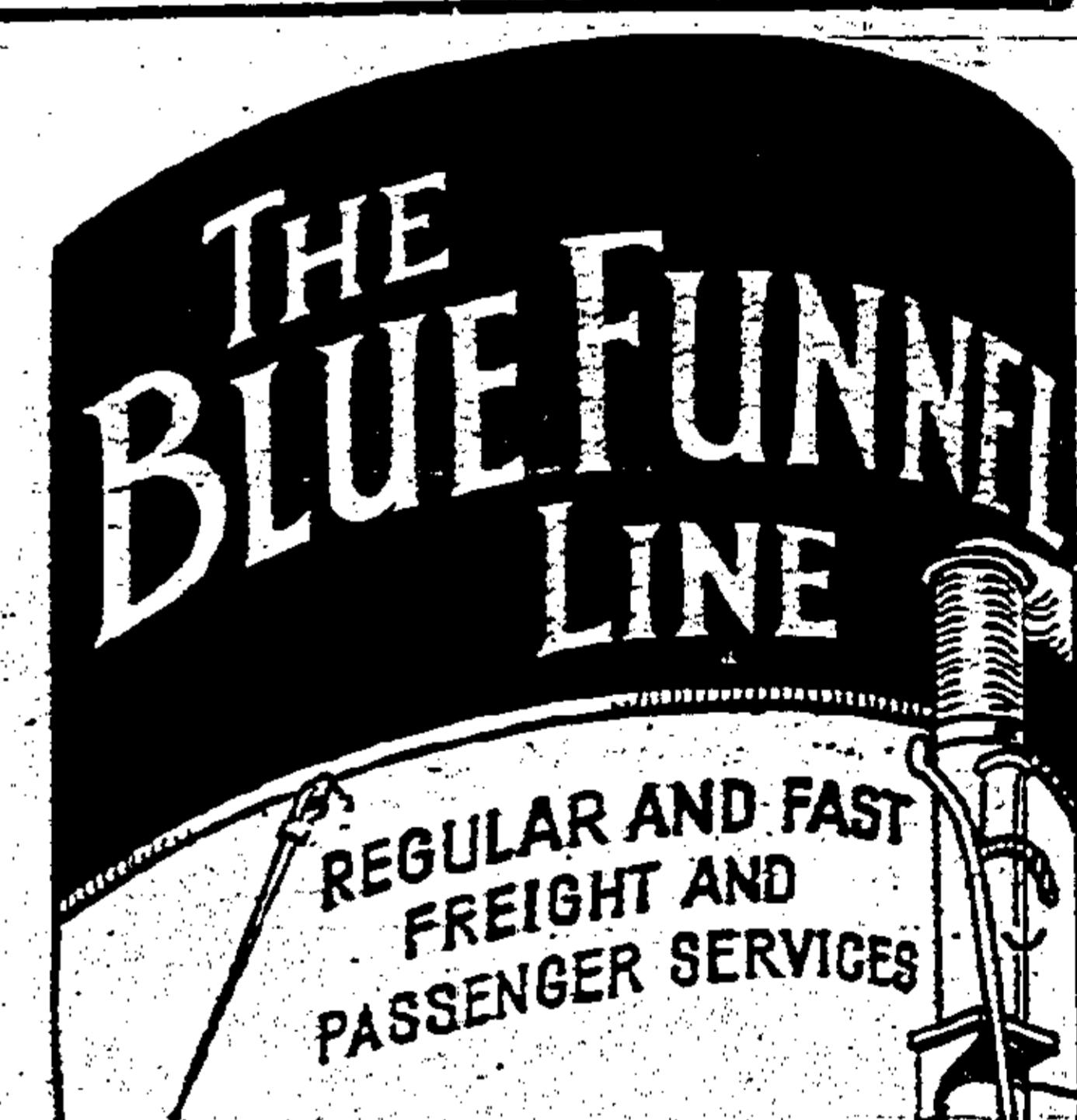
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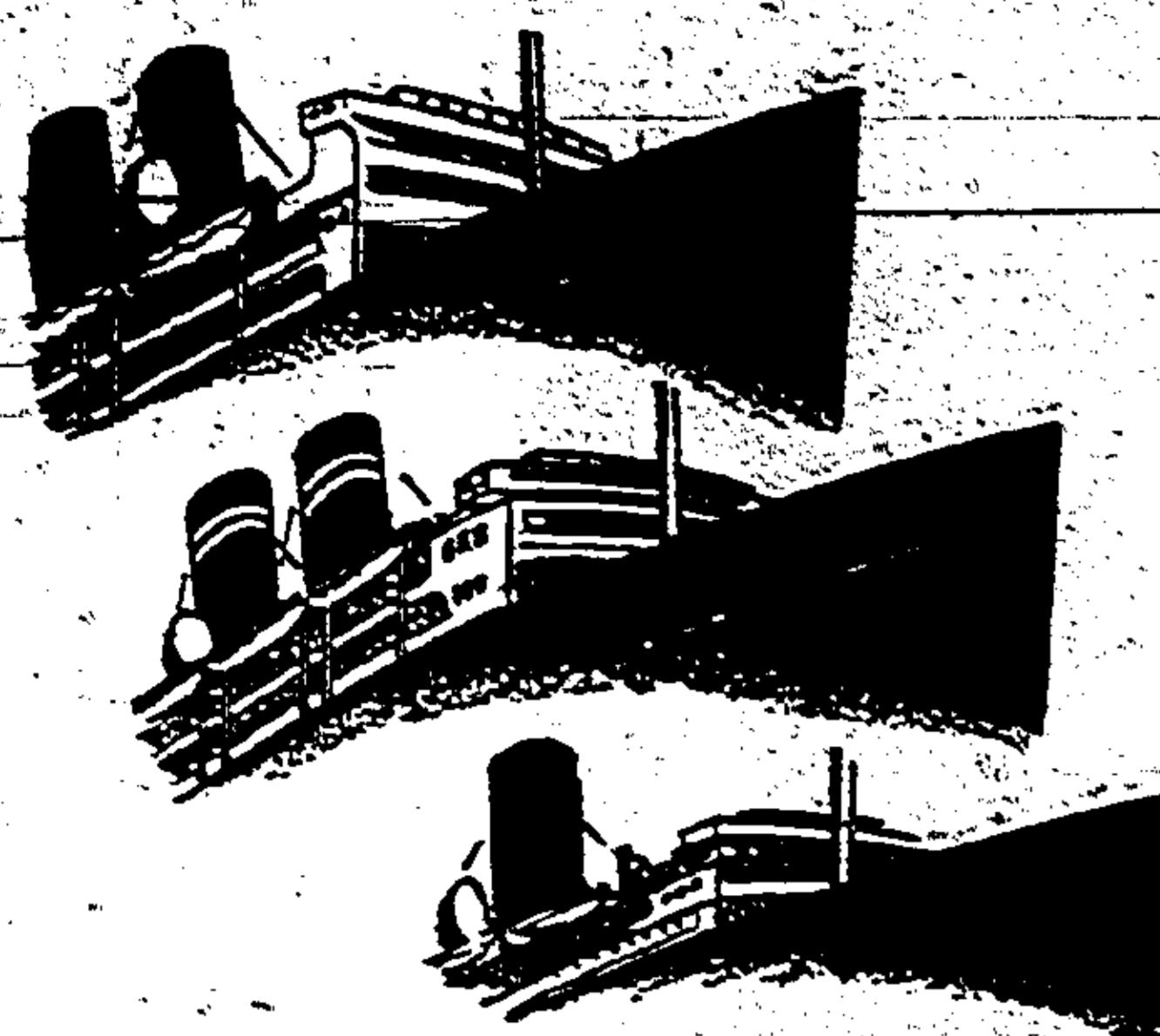
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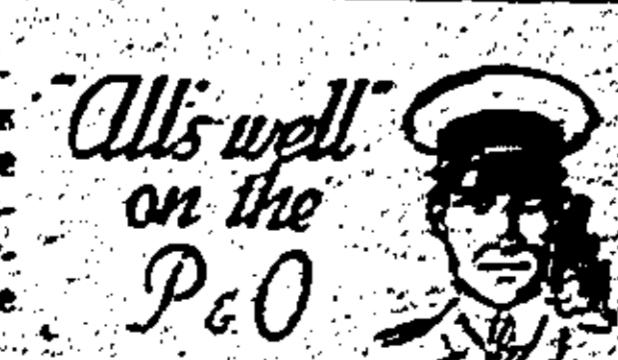
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ENGLAND'S GREAT ORGANISER

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Lord Trenchard's rapid and effective organisation of the Independent Air Force was characteristic of his ability. Long before this he had demonstrated that he was no ordinary soldier. Two years before the war broke out he was in Africa with his regiment, the Royal Scots Fusiliers. He came home on leave, and found that the Royal Flying Corps was in course of formation. He decided to join it, although he knew nothing about flying, for aviation then was a novelty.

In Ten Days

The War Office sanctioned his application, but to his dismay said that he must qualify as a pilot before ten days had elapsed. If he did not do so within that time he would be regarded as too old, and would have to return to his regiment.

Trenchard promptly set off for Brooklands, where Mr. T. O. M. Sopwith was running a flying school, and by applying himself daily to his task from sunrise to sunset he gained his "ticket" within a week.

Two months later he had been appointed as instructor at the Central Flying School, of which he became Assistant Commandant in 1913. A year afterwards the war broke out. The Royal Flying Corps, on the quaint machines of the period, flew to France and Capt. Trenchard was left behind.

His job was formidable. Out of nothing he had to help to build up a new organisation great enough to meet the needs of his comrades overseas. Before the end of 1914 he was in France, in command of the 1st Wing. Nine months later he was in control of the R.F.C. in the field. How he succeeded in that post and in the others that followed is too well-known to need recapitulation.

Great In Peace

At the end of the war he was in charge of the greatest Air Force in the world, consisting of nearly 80,000 officers and 263,000 other ranks. It had to be scrapped. Out of the ruins he formed the organisation now in existence.

Lord Trenchard was as great in peace as in war. He laid the foundations of the remarkable system of training that is now in operation for officers and airmen and apprentices. He took the fullest advantage of the public schools. He introduced a short-service commission that is essential for the purposes of a young and adequate reserve. A fine Staff College was established.

Then, his great task accomplished, he retired. Within a little more than 18 months Lord Trenchard took charge of the Metropolitan Police. He promptly considered the whole organisation of the force. Defects were found. There was no attempt to patch them up; they conflicted with his passion for efficiency.

After attention to a hundred minor changes he carried through, as completely and thoroughly as in the Royal Air Force, a far-reaching scheme designed to fit the Metropolitan Police Force for what he regarded as modern needs.

LONDON LETTER

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Good News

This is good news for the hundreds of London residents who are gradually leaving the metropolis to find homes in the suburbs of the surrounding counties.

This migration is rapidly diminishing the County of London's population. Statistics issued by the County Council show that the estimated population of the 28 Metropolitan Boroughs and the City of London in the middle of 1934 was 4,230,200, compared with 4,337,000 at the census of 1931, a decrease of nearly 167,000 in three years.

Incidentally, many suburban residents are moving to make room for Londoners. The next step from the suburbs is to the country or the south coast, which improved transport services now make easily accessible for those who work in London during the day.

Roman Maidens Set Pace

Noble Roman people who lived in London 1800 years ago had front door keys, lipstick and eye-black to beautify the Roman maidens and hunting weapons with which to chase the wild boars where London buses and railways now run.

This is revealed by Mr. Quintin Waddington, assistant curator at the Guildhall Museum, who has been delving into dust-bins and dust-pits into which the rubbish of Roman households was once tipped.

Night life in Roman London was not very gay evidently, for the lamps they had were more like night lights, said Mr. Waddington in a lecture on his discoveries.

Those London Roman maidens had something of the spirit of our own society girls, for there must have been occasions when they were permitted to fling off their shoes and go barefooted, he declares.

Great In Peace

He deduces this from the fact that some of the shoes had pretty decorations on the soles which would never have been put on if they were not to be looked at sometimes.

Keeping Slim

Later, the girls went in for games as much as the men, but they were not so anxious to be proficient at sport as to keep slim.

Excellent blacksmiths and carpenters were among the Romans. Tools which have been lying in London mud for 1800 years are so well preserved, it is claimed, that they could be sharpened and used to-day.

Roman manufacturers believed in advertising and never missed opportunities to write their names on anything they made, such as a pot. Much of their handwriting was very bad. One inscription found seemed to read: "This contains very old fish sauce pickled in brine of the first quality."

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